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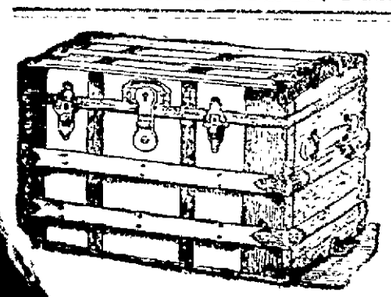

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WOULD DISBAND FIRST.

Soldiers Declare They Will Not Wear Prison Made Uniforms.

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Dec. 14.—The members of the Thirty-sixth Separate company have announced that they will never consent to wear prison made uniforms. They have passed no formal resolutions to that effect, for that would make them liable to the charge of insubordination and of conduct unbecoming a soldier. They say that they will disband rather than wear prison made uniforms. It is probable that the matter will be settled by the men paying for their own uniforms.

The Thirty-sixth Separate company has a membership of nearly 100 representative young men. The captain is Major Austin A. Yates, who was for one year president of the State National Guard association. Mr. Yates represented this county in the assembly for three terms and in the course of his legislative career introduced a prison bill forbidding the making of skilled labor products in state prison. Major Yates' views on the question at that time are his opinions of the present time, and while he will not be guilty of an act unbecoming an officer, he says that he will never consent to his command being uniformed in prison made clothes.

Orders were recently issued that the entire guard should be supplied with uniforms made in the state prisons.

BLAMES CARMEN'S WIFE.

Claim That the New Haven Thief Was Not the Principal Offender.

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 14.—Attorney Martin Conlon, counsel for Frederick Carmen, who was arrested for a series of burglaries from cars of the Adams Express company in this city, is authority for the statement that Carmen is the tool of his wife and mother-in-law, and they induced him to commit the thefts, which extended over a period of two years.

Carmen was given a hearing in the police court, and his case was continued until Thursday next. He was placed under $3,000 bonds. The wife of the accused man and her mother, Mary Bohan, were also arrested, charged with theft, and they will likewise be tried Thursday.

Carmen at one time worked for the express company, and by means of a key he then secured he has been able to unlock the express cars and secure the booty. Mrs. Carmen admits that at one time she stood guard at the front door of a butter and egg store on Congress avenue while her husband brought the plunder out the back door.

The police have also ascertained that he committed two burglaries at Arlington, N. J. Carmen is about 30 years old, while his wife is several years younger.

Ball Player Charged With Murder.

ST. CLAIRSVILLE, O., Dec. 14.—Jack Easton, a baseball player, has been arrested at Martins Ferry, this county, on the charge of murdering a man named Pitcher at Nassau, Rensselaer county, N. Y., last September. A reward of $250 was offered by the state of New York for his arrest. He played with a minor league in New York in the summer, but of late has been a millhand in this county. He refuses to talk.

Weather Probabilities.

Rain easterly winds.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Major Jewett Wilcox, the well known hotel man, died at Chicago.

Attorney Jeppey, for Durrant, says that sensational revelations in the case will soon be made.

Over 1,000 Klondike miners have stampeded from Dawson in search of food across the mountains.

Actor Mansfield has settled out of court the action brought against him by his dresser for assault.

Dr. Charles Butler, president of the corporation of New York university, died in his ninety-sixth year.

The annual meeting of the National Civil Service Reform league will be held in Cincinnati Thursday and Friday of this week.

The annual report of the American Bible society, showing the circulation of 757,528 Bibles and an expenditure of $192,292, is issued.

It is semi-officially announced in Havana that the Cuban leader, General Sanguily, had written to Blanco offering his services to Spain.

More Duties For Justice Brewer.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The retirement of Justice Field from the United States supreme court has made necessary the new assignments of Justice Brewer to the Ninth circuit in addition to his duties in the Eighth circuit. The assignment was announced from the bench by Chief Justice Fuller.

Hauled by Postoffice Robbers.

NYACK, N. Y., Dec. 14.—The postoffice at Garnerville, Rockland county, was broken into by thieves. The safe was blown open with dynamite and $70 in postage stamps and several registered letters were stolen.

Wandered Away and Died.

OSWEGO, N. Y., Dec. 14.—Antoinette Barton of Central Square, this county, was found dead in a creek near that place. She was of unsound mind and had evidently wandered away from home.

Supreme Court Vacation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The United States supreme court will take a recess next Monday for the Christmas holidays, resuming its sittings again on Monday, the 3d of January.

Durrant to Be Sentenced Tomorrow.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.—Upon motion of District Attorney Barnes, W. H. T. Durrant, the murderer of Blanche Lamont and Minnie Williams, was ordered by Judge Bahers to reappear for sentence tomorrow morning.

FALL RIVER MILLS.

Operatives Will Not Be Sole Sufferers by the Cut.

MAY REDUCE TREASURERS' SALARIES

Robert Howard, Former Secretary of the Spinners' Union, Writes Denouncing Exemption of Officials When Reductions In Wages Are Made.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 14.—The manufacturers' committee, which is in charge of the details of the pending settlement of the wages of mill operatives, will recommend that the salaries of the treasurers be reduced in the same proportion as the wages of the employees, and each member of the committee has agreed to bring about this reduction in the administrative cost in his own mill.

The committee also decided that all overseers and others not usually included in cutdowns should come under the order.

The price for weaving a cut of print cloth will be reduced from 13 cents to 16 cents, and in departments where the least pay is received the full cut of 11 per cent will not be made. The committee also agreed that a cut of 10 per cent was as much as the operatives could bear in view of the curtailment of the productions of Fall River mills during the last year.

Notices of the reduction will be posted in the mills at once, but the details of the new schedule will not be given out until a little later. If the operatives ask for a conference, the committee will recommend that it be granted, but an address, as was talked of at first, will not be prepared, unless something new should develop to call for it. The committee is unanimously in favor of including everybody connected with the mills in the reduction, and also in opposing a strike in every way possible, since if the mills should be closed competitors would be given a great advantage.

Secretary O'Donnell of the Spinners union has received a vehement letter from Robert Howard, the former secretary of the union, who is now living in Boston, in which Mr. Howard says that he was very sorry to read in the papers that Fall River was the first lamb to be offered up to the god of Mammon on the altar of greed and avarice.

"In reading over the names of the committee of the manufacturers who are to draft the details of the cutdown and decide how it is to be inflicted," the letter continues, "I notice seven names of agents among them whose combined salaries amount to $50,000 a year, or nearly $1,000 a week. A reduction of 10 per cent in these salaries would be equivalent to a reduction of 125 weavers at $8 a week. This system of reducing the wages of the rank and file and the exempting of the officials is a sin and a shame. It is a crying evil and ought to be stamped out of sight. It ought to be buried so deep that its resurrection would be impossible.

"I believe it would be a wise and proper course to pursue to call a national convention immediately. Keep your hearts firm. Be firm and united."

Appointed to Postmasterships.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14. — These fourth class postmasters have been appointed: New Jersey—Cranberry, Frank A. Brown. New York—Naumburg, Charles S. Squier; Northampton, Robert Pumphrey; Melon, Vernon E. Taylor; Pepe Mills, C. M. Woodworth; Wassaic, Noah L. Bishop. Pennsylvania—Dudley, Rachel Morgan; Great Belt, Louis Hartenstein; James Creek, Andrew B. Gardner; Mapleton Depot, Julia B. Bell. Manor Hill, R. A. Crownover.

Woman Badly Wounded by Burglars

WATERTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 14.—Two masked men entered the farmhouse of Albert J. Lawton, about six miles from this city, and brutally assaulted Mrs. Lawton. The men were identified by Mrs. Lawton as Burt and Edward McBride, who live near the Lawton farm, and they are now in the county jail in this city. The object of the men was to rob the house. Mrs. Lawton received six bad cuts in the head, but will probably recover.

Illinois Miners Win.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.—The coal strike in the Belleville (Ills.) district is ended. Three thousand miners have returned to work. The 25 mines of the Consolidated and Madison Coal companies resumed operations, the two concerns having agreed to pay the Springfield scale. The coal miners have thus won the greatest victory in the history of their organization.

To Recommend Antifootball Bill.

RICHMOND, Dec. 14.—The committee to which had been referred Senator Barksdale's antifootball bill decided to report the bill favorably, they to standing 5 to 4. There were a number of young ladies present during the discussion of the bill by the committee, and they applauded vigorously everything that was said in football's behalf.

Millionaire's Son Robbed.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.—Peter Busch, son of Adolphus Busch, the millionaire brewer, was held up in a cab near Union station on Market street by two men with revolvers, who stripped him of diamonds valued at $700. One of them aimed a terrific blow at his head with a revolver, but missed. They made their escape

A Sword For Kentucky's Commander.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 14.—A handsome fund has been raised by the Kentucky State Guard to buy a sword for the first commander of the battle-flag Kentucky, to be presented by Governor Bradley at the christening of the Kentucky. It will be very costly.

BY THE CHILKAT.

Steam Snow Locomotives For Use In the Klondike.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The plan of using steam snow locomotives to open and maintain communication between the outside world and the Klondike country has not been abandoned by any means. Secretary Alger was in consultation yesterday with several representatives of a company which has already made ten of these unique locomotives, and the secretary, who is intensely solicitous to extend aid to the miners who are supposed to be suffering from lack of food, authorized them to proceed to ship the machines to Alaska and make the effort to get through to the interior.

The plan is to use either the Chilkat pass or the Dalton trail or White pass, with preference to the former route. The men who were at the war department assured Secretary Alger that they could take the locomotives up either of these passes, with the possibility of requiring the assistance of cable power in one place about half a mile long. Once over that place, near the head of the Chilkat pass, there would be no difficulty, they said, in making good time across country over the snow to Fort Selkirk and thence to Dawson.

WAS CARLYLE'S SISTER.

Death In Toronto of the Last of the Philosopher's Family.

TORONTO, Dec. 14.—Mrs. Janet Carlyle Hanning, the only surviving sister of Thomas Carlyle, the well known English author, and the last member of the family, died yesterday at the residence of W. J. Laing, her son-in-law, in this city. For many years she had been living a quiet, almost an obscure, life in Hamilton, Ont., with another son-in-law, having been a widow for a number of years. She was possessed of a rugged constitution and had many of the characteristics of her celebrated brother without the educational and mental power that made him famous.

In April last she moved to this city in a feeble state of health, and the death of a daughter had a marked effect upon her constitution. Both mind and body were enfeebled by the shock, and since then she had been gradually sinking. She was 85 years old. She will be buried beside her husband in Hamilton.

Tried to Suicide, but May Recover.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 14.—Mrs. D. C. Huffman, wife of a Big Four railway employee at Brightwood, attempted to commit suicide by swallowing carbolic acid. Her condition, however, is such as to give hopes of her recovery. A few weeks ago her daughter, Etta Huffman, succeeded in killing herself by the use of the same acid. The daughter's lover, a young man named Phillips, had shot himself to death, and this was assigned as a reason for the girl's act. It is supposed that grief over the tragedy of her daughter's death caused the mother to attempt to take her own life.

Many Registered Packages Stolen.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Up to this time the loss of 18 registered packages of mail matter has been reported to the postoffice department as having occurred on the New York, Somerville and Easton railway division. There is no information at hand to show the exact amount of money they contained, and this will not be available until the persons sending the letters have been heard from. The department's circular offering a reward of $500 for the arrest of Robert E. Lang, the clerk believed to be guilty of the thefts, has been made public.

Suing Railway For $50,000.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The first of the damage cases against the Long Island Railroad company growing out of the Merrick road disaster on May 31 last, in which several persons lost their lives, has been begun in the supreme court before Justice Garretson. The plaintiff, John J. Lewis, through his mother sues the Long Island Railroad company and Henry Hamilton jointly for $50,000 damages for injuries sustained. Hamilton was the owner of the tallyho that was wrecked. The case will last several days.

Still Fighting In India.

SIMLA, India, Dec. 14. — General Kempster's rear guard, according to dispatches from the front, while transporting a number of wounded, was cut off by treasmen near Spur Khel and was obliged to intrench for the night. In the morning there was severe fighting, but the British finally rushed the village and dislodged the enemy. The Highlanders lost four killed and fourteen wounded, and there were several casualties among the Sepoys before the rear guard of the brigade was finally relieved.

Russia Indifferent to Germany's Action.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 14.—The Novosti says that the absence of protests from the other powers at Germany's evident intention to remain at Kiao Chau bay indicates that the partition of China has actually begun and will proceed quickly. Another newspaper expresses the belief that the United States, among other powers, may object to the permanent occupation of Kiao Chau bay by Germany. Russian official circles, however, appear indifferent to the step taken by Germany.

Valuable Horses Burned to Death.

NYACK, N. Y., Dec. 14.—A large barn belonging to Thomas Kirkland, an extensive dealer in valuable horses, of West Haverstraw, was destroyed by fire. Fourteen valuable horses and other costly contents of the barn were burned. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

Colonel McKee Dead.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The war department has been informed of the death, at Butler, Pa., of Colonel J. C. McKee, surgeon, U. S. A.

BRAM'S NEW TRIAL.

Alleged Murderer Will Have Another Chance.

COURT REVERSES HIS CONVICTION.

The Seaman Takes the News of This Favorable Turn of Fortune With Great Indifference, Merely Saying He Expected It.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—An opinion has been rendered by Justice White in the United States supreme court in the case of Thomas Bram, under sentence of death in Massachusetts for murder committed at sea. He was accused of murdering the captain, mate and captain's wife of a vessel bound for South America. The opinion reverses the conviction and grants Bram a new trial.

The vessel on which the tragedy occurred was bound from Boston to South America, and after the crime was discovered her course was changed and the first landing made at Halifax. A seaman named Brown was first arrested by his shipmates, charged with the commission of the crime, and afterward, actuated by a statement of Brown, they also took Bram into custody.

Bram and Brown were both in irons when they reached Halifax. An examination into the case by the United States consul at Halifax resulted in the holding of Bram and the sending of him to the United States for trial. While he was confined in Halifax Bram was stripped and questioned by a detective on behalf of the prosecution. This detective stated to Bram that Brown, the seaman under arrest, had made a confession, saying that he had seen Bram commit the murders. To this statement Bram was reported by the detective to have replied by denying his guilt in such language as to make his denial a confession by implication, saying: "He didn't see me. How could he from where he stood?"

This conversation was, Justice White said, admitted as a confession, hence the consideration of the measure of proof which resulted from it does not arise. The principal question involved was whether the admission was voluntary. If not, it was in violation of the fifth amendment to the constitution of the United States, which provides that in a criminal case no man shall be compelled to testify against himself. He said it was evident that the confession was not voluntary and that therefore it should not have been admitted as testimony.

Chief Justice Fuller and Justices Brewer and Brown dissented from the opinion of the majority of the court. Justice Brewer read a vigorous opinion giving his views. He held that the testimony of the detective in question, whose name was Power, was not open to objection. Power had testified positively that no threats were made to Bram and no inducements held out.

"Clearly, therefore," he said, "the court properly overruled the objection at that time made to giving his testimony of the statement of the defendant."

Bram Hears the News.

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—The news of the decision of the supreme court was announced to Bram by Mr. Cotter, his counsel. When he heard it, not a muscle of Bram's face moved.

"The supreme court has granted you a new trial," Mr. Cotter said quietly. "What do you think of it?"

"Well, I expected it," said Bram. "I did not see how it could be otherwise."

This was all Bram said. He did not seem in the least surprised. He took the announcement as a matter of course. His counsel were with him not over five minutes. When they went away, he shook hands with them cordially and thanked them for letting him know so quickly about the decision.

Taught Boys to Steal.

PERTH AMBOY, N. J., Dec. 14.—John Moken and Thomas Dickie, both 10 years old, arraigned before Recorder Ward yesterday, on a charge of stealing rubber boots from A. Greenbaum, a dry goods merchant, declared they had been instructed how to steal by a Mrs. Sultzman. Dickie said she and her husband sent them out to steal and then bought the goods from them. Their story was corroborated by the discovery of a collection of stolen goods at the home of the Sultzmans. The husband is under arrest.

Board of Tea Experts Appointed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The secretary of the treasury has reappointed all of the members of the board of tea experts established under the act of March 2. The members of the board are Thomas A. Phelan and W. P. Boome of New York, A. P. Irwin of Philadelphia, H. G. Woodworth of Boston, A. P. Upham and E. A. Schoyer of Chicago and Mansfield Lovell of San Francisco.

Canada to Prohibit Six Day Cycling.

BUFFALO, Dec. 14.—An Ottawa dispatch states that the Dominion cabinet will consider a proposal to amend the criminal code prohibiting continuous bicycle races. Last week's New York race is the cause for opposition to such events in Canada.

Another Victim of Football.

AKRON, O., Dec. 14.—Frank Hunt, the 19 year old son of William H. Hunt of this city, has died from brain fever, the result of injuries received on the football field last Thursday.

More Trouble For Simon Sam.

PORT AU PRINCE, Dec. 14.—It is reported that Italy has started warships to Hayti to force payment of indemnities for outstanding claims from this republic.

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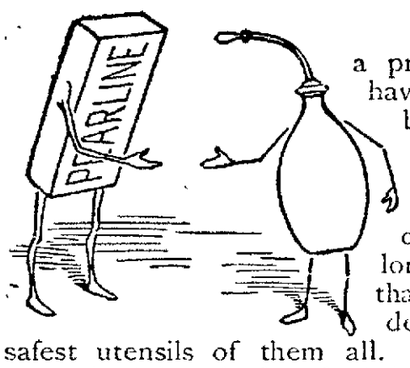

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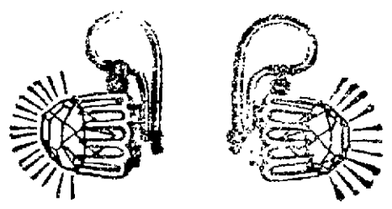

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IN SENATE AND HOUSE

Voting Postponed on Lodge's Immigration Bill.

MEASURE TO REGULATE INSURANCE.

Senator Perkins Wants the Habeas Corpus Statute Amended So as to Preclude Numerous Appeals by the Attorneys of Prisoners.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Mr. Lodge of Massachusetts made an effort in the senate to secure an immediate vote upon his immigration bill, which is substantially the same measure that was passed by the Fifty-fourth congress and vetoed by President Cleveland. Mr. Allen of Nebraska objected to an immediate vote and suggested that the final vote on the amendments and the bill be taken on Monday, Jan. 17, at 3 p. m. This suggestion was accepted by Mr. Lodge, and the order for a vote at that time was entered. Mr. Gorman, chairman of the democratic steering committee, presented an order, which was adopted, rearranging some of the committee assignments of Democratic members, made necessary by the incoming of new members.

Senator Platt of Connecticut introduced a bill to establish a division in the treasury department for the regulation of insurance among the several states. The bill is very comprehensive, covering 21 sections. It applies to all insurance companies doing business outside of the state in which they are organized but an exemption is made of strictly beneficial orders.

The head of the proposed division is to be known as the United States commissioner of insurance, to be appointed by the president for a term of four years. His is to inquire into the manner of and financial condition of all the insurance corporations and is given broad powers of investigation. Beginning with January, 1899, he is to secure from all life insurance companies a list of life policies then in force, their value, etc.

A government actuary is provided to compute valuations, and a small charge is made on the insurance companies to cover this item of expense. The commissioner is also to keep track of foreign laws relating to insurance, to prohibit insolvent companies from doing interstate business, etc. It is to make similar reports as to fire insurance companies.

Among the senate bills introduced was one by Mr. Chandler of New Hampshire for a statue of Admiral Porter in the city of Washington and by Mr. Wellington of Maryland, to establish the University of the United States.

Senator Perkins of California introduced a bill to amend that paragraph of the revised statutes relating to the appeal on habeas corpus of criminal cases to the supreme court of the United States. The object is to do away with numerous appeals by attorneys of prisoners, made with the sole view of gaining time. Senator Perkins cited the Durrant case as a particularly strong example of this sort. In this connection he said that when a prisoner had the advantage of a jury trial, a retrial if desired and an appeal to the governor of the state it was manifestly unjust to allow appeals to the supreme court or the circuit court before which the case was tried. The measure, if passed, will not affect the Durrant case in any way, but will considerably shorten the legal process in all such cases in the future.

Senator Fairbanks introduced a bill to facilitate the enforcement of the immigration and contract labor laws. It provides that collectors of customs on the Canadian and Mexican frontiers and at all ports where commissioners of immigration are not employed shall enforce the laws pertaining to immigration and to the importation of laborers under contract. These collectors are empowered to employ officers of the customs service to enforce such laws, and all customs officers are authorized to act both as customs and immigration officers.

The senate committee on Indian affairs reported favorably on a bill providing for a congress of Indian tribes to be held at Omaha during the coming transmississippi exposition. The congress is to be composed of representative members of the different Indian tribes, showing tribal customs and habits.

Mr. Hepburn Sustained.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Excepting the reporting of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, which is to be considered today, the house did no public business yesterday. The entire session was consumed in adjusting a personal dispute between Mr. Hepburn of Iowa and Mr. Norton of Ohio, which grew out of a controversy that occurred last week during the debate on the pension bill. The point at issue was as to whether a certain word used by Mr. Norton, but which he afterward disclaimed any intention of using, should appear in the permanent record. Mr. Hepburn offered to withdraw a motion he made to make the record conform to the stenographer's report if Mr. Norton would again disavow the word on the floor, but this Mr. Norton declined to do, and, after a long debate, involving the practices of the house and the amenities between members, the house by a party vote—136 to 121—sustained Mr. Hepburn's motion.

Mr. Cummings of New York introduced in the house a bill appropriating $50,000 for a statue of Admiral David D. Porter in Washington. Mr. Quigg, from the committee on library, has reported to the house favorably the bill changing the name of the Congressional library to the National library, the librarian to be known as director.

Katie Clum Single Again.

CATSKILL, N. Y., Dec. 14.—Judge Chase has just granted a decree annulling the marriage of Katie Clum to Henry Mendore, the Catskill negro. It will be remembered that Mendore, with the aid of his brother and some friends, abducted Miss Clum from the home of her father, and compelled her to become his wife.

A Long Drought Broken.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 14.—The first substantial rain since last June in parts of eastern Kansas has fallen. An old fashioned blizzard now prevails all over Kansas and all the way west to Raton, N. M. So far no damage to stock or stoppage of railway traffic is reported.

PIERCE NOT INSANE.

White Plains Man Had Been Committed to Hospital.

RELEASED WITH APOLOGY BY JUDGE.

His Wife Had Applied For the Order Incarcerating Him—It Is Said He Will Now Bring Actions Against Two Physicians.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Frank W. Pierce, long a well known business man in White Plains, has been summarily released from the Hudson River State Hospital For the Insane, to which institution he was committed ten days ago on the application of his wife, Mary A. Pierce. He was taken to the asylum at an early hour on Sunday morning, Dec. 5, by two attendants, who entered his home in White Plains and seized him without the slightest warning and tore him away.

The disappearance of the White Plains business man had all the elements of a genuine kidnaping affair, except that the men who spirited him away while the Westchester villagers were asleep had legal authority for their action. They held commitment papers signed by Smith Lent, judge of Westchester county.

Judge Lent granted the application of Mrs. Pierce on the strength of an affidavit signed by Dr. George Magness and Dr. Charles E. Birch, two White Plains physicians. This certified that Mr. Pierce was of unsound mind. Judge Lent made haste to annul the commitment papers as soon as he had an opportunity personally to inquire into Mr. Pierce's condition. He then apologized to Mr. Pierce for having been a party to his confinement and declared that hereafter he would sign no commitment papers without the most positive proof that the person in question was insane.

The residents of White Plains nearly all of whom have known Mr. Pierce for years, were highly indignant when they learned that he had been sent to the Hudson River hospital as a lunatic. They had detected no signs of insanity in the conduct of the business man, and he was warmly congratulated by his many friends on his release yesterday.

Dr. Magness and Dr. Birch, it was told by William M. Dubois, Mr. Pierce's attorney, will be sued for $10,000 each for causing the false imprisonment of his client. The papers in these actions, Mr. Dubois says, will be prepared at once.

Cotton Mills in Switzerland.

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Our Doll Exhibit is incomparably superior to any expectation you may have formed from what you see elsewhere.

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One Thing

We want to say here. While we have a reasonably large quantity of everything advertised here, we do not guarantee every lot to last until Christmas. The early comer will find everything advertised here.

TOYS.

The Most Substantial Toys for Children

are those made of Malleable Iron. At Tompkins' you will buy them much lower than elsewhere—Toy Scales 10 and 19c., worth 15 to 25c. Tin Stoves, with furniture 5 and 10c., worth 10 and 15c. Tea Kitchen, with furniture, 10 and 15c. Iron Wagon and Horse, value 39c., at 25c. Fire Engine, Horse and Driver value 35c., at 19c. Big Iron Steele Banks 25 and 45c. Iron Ranges 25 and 45c. A few very large ones at 50c. Big Iron Wagons 19c. Iron Passenger Trains, 10c size, 15c. Iron Surrey, with horse 25c. Iron Coal Carts, with driver, 19c. Iron Coal Carts 10c. Big Hook and Ladder or Fire Engine, with horses and fireman, a regular $1.50 toy, at 85c.

Other Toys.

Doll Cradles, large ones, 10, 15, 25c. Black boards 25, 35c; with changeable figures 75c. Tool Chests 35, 50c and higher. Wooden Hay Carts, with handles, 10c. Bent Coasting Sleighs 10 and 25c. Toy Wheelbarrows 10c. Doll Swings 15c. Nine Pins, per set, 19, 35, 65c. Babies' Rattles, Boys' Tops, Trumpets, Childs' Sets, consisting of knife, fork and spoon, 10 and 15c a set. Shoo Fly Baby's Rocking Horses, the kind that cannot fall over, 75c. Card Games of all kinds 5 and 10c. China Tea Sets, nicely decorated and put up in strong box, 25c. Drums, the flat, tall, wood or brass, all prices. Toy Pianos in every style.

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Embroidered, plain hem stitched and lace edge Handkerchiefs.

At 10c Each,

Fine plain white, hem stitched bountiful Swiss embroidered and men's or ladies' initial Handkerchiefs.

At 12½c Each,

Ladies' elegant fine Swiss embroidered, men's imitation silk, initialed Handkerchiefs.

At 15c Each,

Ladies' fine initialed hem stitched Handkerchiefs, ladies' silk, hem stitched Handkerchiefs, ladies' fine Swiss embroidered Handkerchiefs.

At 25c Each,

Ladies' very fine embroidered Handkerchiefs, worth 35c.

At 49c Each,

Ladies' all linen beautiful embroidered Handkerchiefs, men's silk initialed Handkerchiefs, beautiful goods and worth 75c each.

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It is usual to wait until after the holidays to mark down prices of Jackets. Every jacket we have must be sold this season, so we have made after-season prices right now. If you need a jacket yourself or think of making a Christmas present of one, you will get it at Tompkins' at the usual after holiday price now. The extraordinary lot of jackets consists in part of the following fine goods.

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

THE COUNTY'S LEGISLATORS IN ANNUAL SESSION.

The Boundaries of the Children's Home Property Fixed—Money Refunded to Minisink—The Cost of Public Printing—Apportionment of the Poor Fund—Treasurer May Borrow Money—The "Good Roads" Discussion.

Blooming Grove	Joseph E. Board, R
Chester	Geo. W. Fredericks, R
Cornwall	Charles Ketcham, D
Crawford	Sam'l D. Robertson, D
Deerpark	Thomas J. Quick, R
Goshen	J. E. Wells, R
Greenville	Samuel V. Jones, D
Hamptonburgh	Chas. P. Howell, R
Highlands	Louis F. Goodsell, R
Middletown—	
First Ward	James E. Brazee, R
Second Ward	Chas. J. Boyd, R
Third Ward	John E. Iseman, R
Fourth Ward	Nelson W. Wood, R
Minisink	Richard S. Tuthill, D
Monroe	Joseph Bake, R
Montgomery	Irving H. Loughran, R
Mount Hope	Chas. W. Loomis, R
Newburgh City—	
First Ward	John M. Wilson, R
Second Ward	Henry B. Lawson, R
Third Ward	Geo. Mosher, R
Fourth Ward	Hugh McKissock, D
Fifth Ward	Jonathan Taylor, D
Sixth Ward	J. E. Harrison, R
Newburgh Town	Wm. H. Post, R
New Windsor	Geo. Debenham, D
Tuxedo	Mahlon J. Brooks, R
Wallkill	H. D. Thompson, R
Warwick	Ira S. Smith, D
Wawayanda	John I. Bradley, D
Woodbury	John A. Patterson, R

GOSHEN, Dec. 13—Messrs. Boyd and Wood had been appointed by the Chair a committee to settle the question as to the boundary line of property of the county known as the Children's Home, at Middletown. There was some question raised by the Middletown Savings Bank, an adjoining property owner, as to the location of the line. Mr. Boyd explained that a surveyor was secured and it was found that the fence of the Home was many feet on the property of the bank. The bill for this service was $14 and it was ordered paid.

The Law Committee reported that the assessment of James Neeley, of Minisink, was erroneous and that the county owed the town of Minisink $13.50. A draft was ordered for that amount.

The Law Committee also reported that the Board had the power to appoint three commissioners of equalization. The report was received and filed.

Mr. Mosher stated that there was a committee appointed last year on printing to consult with county officials and devise some scheme to lower the amounts expended for that purpose this year. He asked for the report of that committee. Mr. Brazee responded and said that he had consulted with county officials and that this year the bills were about three thousand dollars less than last year. He said that in the interest of economy in this matter attempts should be made to change the State laws. On motion of Mr. Wilson the report was received and filed.

Mr. Boyd presented the following apportionment of the poor fund, which was adopted:

Blooming Grove, $1,200; Chester, $2,500; Cornwall, $352.91; Crawford, $700; Deerpark, $3,000; Greenville, $304.49; Hamptonburgh, $743.48; Middletown City, $6,000; Minisink, $1,000; Montgomery, $2,000; Mount Hope, $800; Newburgh City, $1,683.60; Newburgh Town, $316.40; New Windsor, $2,600; Monroe, $1,000; Tuxedo, $709; Wallkill, $249.42; Warwick, $3,000; Wawayanda, $500; Woodbury, $900.

These amounts were ordered paid to the County Treasurer, except in the case of the city of Middletown, which amount was ordered paid to the City Commissioners of Charities.

On motion of Mr. Wood, of Middletown, the County Treasurer was authorized to borrow in cases of necessity sums not to exceed $5,000 at a time for the general and poor funds, and when it became necessary to borrow for the poor fund the interest on the amount is to be charged to the towns that have not paid in the sums due from them. The aggregate amount to be borrowed is not to exceed $30,000.

Mr. Boyd introduced a resolution fixing the salary of the District Attorney for the coming year at $2,500 and the Assistant at $500. These amounts are the same as heretofore. The resolution was adopted.

THE "GOOD ROADS" DISCUSSION.

Then came up the matter of the discussion for the benefit of good roads. There were present many prominent citizens from all parts of the county. The discussion was mainly instructive, and the arguments proved that the people in general did not fully understand the bill as introduced. Mr. Bedell was the first speaker.

He explained the bill in detail, and every Supervisor and everyone of the listeners who filled the space outside of the rail paid the closest attention. He concluded:

"I believe it would be unwise to take final action upon the measure at this time. But few of your constituents thoroughly understand it and many of you personally are in doubt as to what it means. I would suggest, therefore, that it be brought up at some future meeting, and then you will be better able to judge the true sentiment of those you represent.

"This county does not want MacAdam roads. What it wants is roads properly graded and drained, hills to be cut or avoided when it can be done by a simple detour. The Good Roads Association believes that 100 miles of road can be rebuilt properly for $200,000. Our engineer has told me that it can be done for $1,200 a mile, which would give even more mileage for that amount."

Mr. Loughran, of Walden, brought up the point that under the bill the roads would be under the direction of the engineer employed, and the State would do as it pleased with them. Mr. Bedell replied that under the bill the engineer is directly under the supervision of the Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Myers, of Warwick, favored good roads, but not the proposed plan of securing them.

A gentleman who asked how many miles of road there were in the county was informed by Mr. Bedell that there were between 350 and 400.

Supervisor Thompson stated that there were at least 600 miles of main and lateral roads in the town of Wallkill, and that he got his information from a Highway Commissioner.

Supervisors Bradley and Roberson spoke unfavorably on the proposition so far as it related to taking away the powers and duties of the Highway Commissioners.

Rev. Joshua Wood, of Cornwall, spoke at considerable length favoring improved roads, and urging the use of gravel.

W. C. Hart, who represented the Wallkill Valley Farmers' Association, stated that nearly every one in that vicinity wanted the roads improved, but did not want the roads taken out of their hands. He said the farmers could do the work and were anxious to do it.

A foreigner, who spoke indistinctly and who hails from Highland Fal's, admitted that he rode a wheel and belonged to a club and was an L. A. W. member, and that the L. A. W. wanted good roads. He thought a tax on bicyclists all right, and said he would be pleased to ride over a good road from Highland Falls to Goshen to pay his dollar of the tax.

J. E. Duryea, of Bullville, said:

"The sum of $200,000 is not very much for this big county of ours to pay, the interest amounting only to about $8,000. The city of Middletown thinks nothing of raising thousands of dollars for water supply, or $65,000 or $75,000 for a new school house. That is all right if it ends there. But this good roads business looks a good deal like the capitol at Albany. We don't want you to tax us out of existence. Our township is paying from $3,000 to $5,000 interest on railroad bonds, and we pay and grunt and get along, but we don't feel like paying interest on a big sum at the behest of the town of Tuxedo, the banks of Newburgh and the beautiful valley of Warwick to build boulevards. If they want them let them pay for them. Don't come down on the poor farmers with milk at two cents a quart to build boulevards along the Hudson River."

Mr. Bedell asked and was granted consent to make a statement. He said:

"Your impression is erroneous. You do not understand the situation. There never has been any proposition to construct a boulevard or road. No one in New York, a banker or Tuxedo man has a word to say in the matter of these roads unless he is a member of this Board. This project is not a Tuxedo move, but one which is being made by the every-day men of this whole county."

Mr. Duryea then continued by making some statements regarding the unsatisfactory condition of the roads in his section.

W. B. Royce was the next speaker. He is one of the most enthusiastic members of the Road Improvement Association, and his remarks were closely listened to.

"We all seem agreed on the good road question except as to the 'how.' There seems to be a slight difference of understanding as to the width of the proposed roads. Now I agree with Mr. Bedell on the whole matter. Make haste slowly. The roads of this county must be put abreast of the intelligence of the county. My friend, Mr. Thompson, says there are about 600 miles of road in his town for he drove all over them last fall, and I've no doubt he thought there were 6,000 miles. (Laughter.) Mr. Bedell thinks there are less than 400, and so they differ. We've got to agree on something. I don't want any member to vote against what his constituents want. But I do ask that they get with them. See what they do want.

"I see the matter of taxation has been discussed. I don't want to be harsh, but is not that selfish? Suppose we apply it to our schools. Suppose one man says he will pay no school tax because he has no children. Suppose we apply it to our hospitals and asylums. We must continue to improve. I concur with Mr. Bedell: make haste slowly. If this Board does not feel that it can vote upon this matter intelligently I would suggest that you lay the matter over until next spring. If you are no better settled next spring then it can continue to be laid over until you are settled. You are here to express your own opinions and those of your constituents. They are honest. Educate them to better roads. All of the wheelmen are willing to pay $1 each.

"Reference has been made to the men who have made money and who come into this county to spend it. Such reference is unfair. They have to pay the largest portion of the tax. In regard to the roads on the banks of the Hudson, my friend, Duryea, has either been misreading or misinterpreting. If this board says lay a road from Newburgh to Bullville that's where it would be laid. One might be laid to Unionville and then Supervisor Tuthill could walk here instead of riding over the miserable road he does."

Communications from the Newburgh Wheelmen and Alexander Beattie, of Newburgh, and two petitions signed by Newburgh parties, all favoring the proposition, were read.

Thos. G. Sayer, of Newburgh, rides a wheel in his business pursuits. He said he was willing to pay a tax on his bicycle when it could be demonstrated to him that other vehicles which are road destroyers should not also be taxed. He wanted good roads and he hoped that he'd go up to Mr. Hart's some day and find him in mud up to his knees with his head down.

Mr. Hart responded that he only objected to having paid men fixing up the roads. He thought those owning abutting property should care for the highways.

Highway Commissioner Cornell, of New Windsor, urged that the cities should fix up their outlying highways. He said that in Newburgh city the road was so bad in one place that the vehicles were driven on the sidewalk, and he said: "You'll find a sign there now which says: 'Keep off the sidewalk.'" He concluded with the following suggestions:

The abolition or modification of the present system, to the effect that the townships be partitioned in road precincts or districts under absolute control of road commissioners and the present system of local overseers abolished.

Change the present system of an assessment of a certain number of days for road work against property to a cash tax of $1 for each day assessed.

By this change we might have intelligent supervision and would receive the benefit of the full amount of work that the roads are entitled to, but which they now largely fail to receive under the present system. Enact a law, county or State if you please, requiring all wagons of a carrying capacity of one ton and upwards to use a tire of not less than 3½ inches in width.

This matter of broad tires is a most important one whatever system of roads we may use. A broad-tired wagon is a road maker and not a destroyer like the narrow tires that are in general use in this county to-day.

For the creation of a fund for the purchase of improved road machinery such as road machines, stone crushers, etc., I would assess a tax of $1 on each bicycle in use.

This ended the discussion and Mr. Boyd stated that the board's committee on good roads had made and filed its report, and as no motion recommending anything had been made, and as this board terminates with the year, he moved that the matter be laid upon the table. The roll call showed twenty-seven votes in favor of it, and this terminated the matter for the present.

The bond of County Clerk Taggart, placed at $5,000, was filed. C. G. Elliot, of Goshen, and Hon. Louis F. Goodsell, of Highlands, were sureties.

The printing committee went into executive session and entertained two Newburgh printers on the subject of the cost of printing ballots.

The board adjourned until 10:30, to-morrow.

A NOTED VOCALIST COMING.

Dr. Carl Martin at the Next Organ Recital at Grace Church.

Dr. Carl Martin, the solo bass of St. Thomas' Church, New York, has a reputation second to no vocalist in the United States. He is no stranger to Middletown audiences, having been heard here on two occasions, as well as several times in Goshen. Doubtless a large number of our music lovers will avail themselves of the opportunity offered them of hearing him again by attending the organ recital at Grace Church, Thursday evening, December 16th, at 8 o'clock. Harvey Wickham has prepared an interesting programme so far as instrumental numbers are concerned, and Dr. Martin will sing four times.

As is usual at Grace Church, admission will be entirely free, though an offertory will be taken to defray the very considerable expenses of the undertaking.

AMITY.

Public School Entertainment—Personal Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The public school will give an entertainment on the evening of Dec. 23. Admission ten and fifteen cents.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Simpson, of Goshen, were guests at Dr. W. T. Seeley's over Sunday.

—Rev. Thomas Fitzgerald, of Mount Hope, was calling on friends here last week.

Cure Your Stomach.

You can quickly do this by using South American Nervine. It can cure every case of weak stomach in the world. It always cures, never fails. It knows no failure. It will gladden your heart and put sunshine into your life. It is a most surprising cure. A weak stomach and broken nerves will drag you down to death. South American Nervine will help you immediately. No failures; always cures; never disappoints. Lovely to take. Sold by J. E. Mills, druggist Middletown, N. Y.

BLOOMINGBURGH.

Sociable Thursday Evening—Late Plowing—Personal Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Don't forget the sociable Thursday evening at Milo Senger's. There will be oysters for those who wish them; also a free entertainment. The proceeds will be for the Reformed Church Sunday School's Christmas.

—Miss Bessie Strong, of Wurtsboro, spent Sunday with friends in town.

—Ben Decker has been plowing for Henry France.

—Mrs. G. Clapham has returned after spending a week with friends in Middletown.

CURES QUICKLY AND SAFELY.

The Pyramid Pile Cure the Most Aggravated Cases of Piles With Absolute Safety.

Pyramid Pile Cure will cure the most aggravated case of hemorrhoids in an astonishingly short time. It relieves the congested parts, reduces the tumors instantly no matter how large, allays the inflammation and stops the aching or itching at once.

Thousands who have resorted to expensive surgical treatment have been cured by the Pyramid Pile Cure—in a number of instances persons who have spent months in a hospital under a pile specialist.

It is a remedy that none need fear to apply even to the most aggravated, swollen and inflamed hemorrhage tumor.

If you are afflicted with stubborn disease you can master it and master it quickly.

This remedy is no longer an experiment, but a medical certainty.

Druggists sell it at 50 cents per box. It is becoming the most popular pile cure this country has ever known and druggists everywhere are ordering it for their customers.

For book on cause and cure of piles address Pyramid Co., Marshall, Mich., (formerly of Albion, Mich.)

Disfigurement for life by burns or scalds may be avoided by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great remedy for piles and for all kinds of sores and skin troubles. W. D. Olney.

Mrs. Stark, Pleasant Ridge, O., says, "After two doctors gave up my boy to die, I saved him from croup by using One Minute Cough Cure." It is the quickest and most certain remedy for coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles. W. D. Olney.

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the Grand Scenery.
the Funny Chorus.
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SEE the Bashful Maidens.
the Shy Old Maids.
the Biggest and Best Show You Ever Saw for the Money.

Prices $1, 75, 50, 35, 25c.

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All sizes and prices, and in various sections of the county. Some very decided bargains, and some of the best farms in the county. Free descriptive catalogues on application at office or by mail. Owners anxious to sell always employ a broker, hence you are more likely to secure a bargain at my agency; anyway you have a large list to select from, and should you want a House and Lot or other property in the beautiful and thrifty city of Middletown, at a genuine bargain, apply at my office. Correspondence solicited.

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Real Estate Broker, 35 North St.

To the Young Face

POZZONI'S COMPLEXION POWDER gives fresher charms; to the old, renewed youth. Try it.

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A SUITABLE GIFT!

We are, as usual, headquarters for them. Handsome Embroidered 49c and up. Vici Tan Nullifiers Warm lined Slippers, Crochet Slippers for ladies and children, all at reasonable prices. Follow the footprints to

C. D. HANFORD'S,

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THERE'S AN ORIENTAL

Proverb running like this—"Trust not to appearances, the drum that makes the most noise is filled with wind." So look out for the holiday drum advertiser. Every year we put our mark up considerable higher than the year previous, and merit the advance by merchandise of merit sold on their merits at Economy prices. This year is the same, only more so

STEEL CARVERS.	144 Carvers and Forks, polished steel, for kitchen, a bargain at 12 CENTS.
MEN'S NECKWEAR.	Positive value is 25 cents on this lot, but Economy price makes them 25 CENTS.
HANDKERCHIEFS.	With lace insertion in corners, white hem stitched cambric worth 10 cents, for 5 CENTS.
PURSES AT 2 CENTS.	Yes, and 3, 5, 10c. Pocketbooks at 19, 25c., to 50c. Many at less values and less prices.
GAMES.	About 25 kinds at 5 CTS., as many more 8c., a hundred kinds at 10, 15, 18 and 25 cents.
A DOLL FOR A PENNY.	And others at 2, 5c. Dressed Dolls 10c. Sleeping Dolls 25c to $1.
CHRISTMAS TREE CANDLES.	Made of good paraffine wax, in colors, at 5 cents per box.
CELLULOID NOVELTIES.	As usual, an entirely new line each season, and 1897 has scores of new ones, 25 cents upwards.
A COUNTER AT 5 CENTS.	Small counter of Silver Novelties, very pretty gifts, 5, 10c and upward.
JAPANESE CUPS AND SAUCERS.	Dainty ware in a variety of patterns and shapes at 8, 10, 15, 25c.

Klondike Region for Dolls, Toys, Games in the Basement.

ECONOMY STORE,

118 North St., Middletown

MIRDLETOWN ROOFING COMPANY,

Dealers in Gravel, Asphalt and Pitch Roofing. We handle first-class roof paints—Metallic, Rubber and Asphaltum Paints. Mending and repairing of roofs a specialty. Also tin, iron and steel shingle roofing.

T. SLACK, Manager, 14 Ogden street. Shop 147 N. 4th street.

Pork 8c. a Lb.

Pork Loin 9c a pound, Pork (fresh ham), 9c a pound, Pork Chops 10c a pound, Sausage (our make), 10c., 3 pounds 25c. No matter how low others go, we go still lower.

W. J. Greening, 13 E. Main St

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We are now closing out at a sacrifice several odd styles of new pianos, and a great variety of slightly used organs and pianos to make room for new stock.

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Catalogues, full particulars and terms sent upon application.

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Mason & Hamlin Co.

8 and 5 WEST 18th STREET, NEW YORK.

FOR SALE.

The property of B. F. Todd, 54 East avenue. Dwelling contains 13 rooms, with all modern improvements, including steam heat. Good barn and carriage house. Large yard and abundance of fruit. Easy terms.

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for old iron, cast and wrought iron, copper, brass, zinc, lead, tin foil, and all kinds of old metal, all kinds of furs, including dog, cat and rabbit skins, dry bones and rubber and other junk; also second-hand machinery, boilers and engines, including shafting, pulleys, piping bought and sold at 125 Fulton street.

HENRY MEYER.

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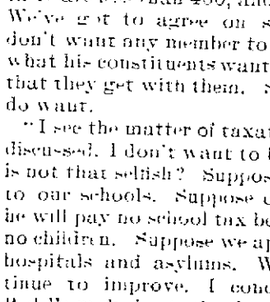

Alexander

The Late Czar of Russia

Caused the following telegram to be sent to the Branch House of Johann Hoff, at St. Petersburg: "Send immediately one case of **Johann Hoff's Malt Extract** to Sarskoje, Celo, by order of the Czar, Count von Schuwaloff."

More strength in one dozen bottles of **Johann Hoff's Malt Extract** than in a cask of ale or porter, without their deleterious effects.

Ask for the Genuine JOHANN HOFF'S MALT EXTRACT

ALL OTHERS ARE WORTHLESS IMITATIONS

IN Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, N. Y., notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of Daniel Thompson, deceased, late of the town of Crawford, in said county, that they are required to present such claims or statements thereof, with proper vouchers or verification thereof, to the subscriber, the administratrix of the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, at her residence, in said town of Crawford, on or before the 27th day of December, 1897.

Dated June 23d, 1897.

ANNA THOMPSON, Administratrix.

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WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14.—Threatening with rain to-night and Wednesday.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the register of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., 37°; 12 m., 37 ; 5 p. m., 39°.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.

—Dec. 13, 14—Comic opera, "Priscilla," for the benefit of Thrall Hospital, at the Casino.
—Dec. 15—Concert and ball by 24th Separate Co. Band, at Casino.
—Dec. 17—"Out of Sight," at Casino
—Dec. 20—"Devil's Auction," at Casino.
—Dec. 21—Vernon Brothers' entertainment, 1st Congregational Church.
—Dec. 22—McQuoid Engine Co. hop.
—Dec. 22, 23, 24—W. C. T. U. Fair.
—Dec. 23—Ball of Phœnix Engine Co., at Assembly Rooms.
—Dec. 28—Excelsior Social.
—Dec. 30—Ball of Ontario Hose Co., at Assembly Rooms.
—Dec. 31—Masquerade ball, at Casino, under Geo. Lea's management.
—Jan. 21—Excelsior Social.
—Jan. 24—John Thomas Concert Co., Y. M. C. A., at Casino.

TUESDAY, DEC. 14, 1897.

The Prohibition vote in this State at the last election was 19,654, a gain of 2,205 over last year. Orange county's Prohibition vote was 373, only about half what it was when high water mark was reached some ten years ago.

The Dingley law has demonstrated what every one but Republican statesmen knew before,—that a tariff which for the sake of protection raises duties to a point that prohibits importations cannot raise revenue enough for the needs of a country loaded down with an enormous pension charge.

While the anti-machine men of Middletown are dickering for "harmony" with the leaders of the old organization, the anti-machine men in other parts of the State are organizing for a fight against Platt all along the line. A determined effort will be made to wrest the control of the organization from him at the next State Convention, and if the Middletown "kickers" have the nerve to keep on kicking and don't allow themselves to be beguiled by the old leaders, who are now cooing as mildly as sucking doves, they may sit in the seats of the mighty with the leaders of a reorganized Republican party.

$100 Dollars $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.
Address, F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.
Sold by Druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 16 North street, Middletown, N. Y. Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14, '97.

	Yesterday Close	Today Close
Sugar	141¼	141
Tobacco	88½	87¾
Chicago Gas	97	96⅞
Nat. Lead	35¾	35⅞
General Electric	39¾	39¾
U. S. L., pref	61	61
Tenn. Coal and Iron	26	25¾
A. T. & S. F	13⅝	13½
C. B. & Q	99½	99⅛
C. M. & St. P	96	95⅝
R. I	92	91⅝
D. L. & W	—	—
C. of N. J	86½	88
Erie	15⅝	15
D. and H	109½	110¼
O. & W	15⅝	15⅜
Susquehanna & Western	—	—
Susquehanna & West., pref	55	55
P. & R	21½	22
N. W	121¾	121
L. S	—	—
N. Y. C	108⅝	108
M. P	35⅞	34⅞
Texas	11⅝	—
U. P	26½	25⅝
W. Union	90⅝	89⅛
L. & N	58⅜	57½
Manhattan	105½	106¼
P. M	20½	20⅛
Wabash, pref	18½	18¼
No. Pacific, pref	45⅜	46
W. L	—	—
Southern Ry	—	—
Southern, pref	11½	11⅜
Mo. Pacific	34⅛	34⅝
Mex. Central	7⅜	7⅜
Mex. Ords	22⅝	22½
Am. Tob'k	$ 92	$ 92
Jam. Tob'k	4 75	4 87

PROOF OF FOUL PLAY FOUND.

Zanoli Held to Answer to the Charge of Causing His Fourth Wife's Death.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Charles Zanoli held on suspicion of causing the death of members of his family for the purpose of collecting insurance, was, to-day, charged with homicide as a result of the examination of the exhumed body of his fourth wife and held without bail.

TO CONTINUE THE DEFICIT.

None of the Customs Duties of the Dingley Bill to Be Changed.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14—The Republican members of the Ways and Means Committee have reached an understanding that no customs features of the Dingley tariff law will be changed at the present session.

LUETGERT'S TRIAL UNDER WAY

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—After two weeks spent in securing a jury the second trial of Adolph Luetgert, charged with the murder of his wife, was really begun, today.

Will Rebuild the Walden Fire Alarm System.

Frank T. Smith, formerly superintendent of fire alarm of this city, has been engaged to rebuild the fire alarm system at Walden.

THE VANISHING QUAKER.

Gradual Obliteration of the Old Orthodoxy.

Only lately have Philadelphians begun to realize and reflect upon the disappearance of the Quakers as we knew them; only lately has it been brought home to us that a gradual obliteration of the old uncompromising orthodoxy has set in which means the ultimate absorption of the sect. Even now, says Lippincott's, rare as is the old garb on the streets, where it was such a common sight not so many years ago, the assertion that the society is diminishing would meet with doubt and hesitation. We are so familiar with the Quaker, he is so necessary and potent a type in Philadelphia, that we would not accept the warrant even of statistics, yet, now that the visible limit has been reached, what can we do but awake to the change? We see few broad-brimmed hats and drab bonnets where we once saw many; of those who wear them, the most are old and trembling. If there are young Quakers, how are we to recognize them? Not by their dress, at any rate, except in so far as their plainness of cut and sobriety of color still rule the taste of Friends, whether wealthy or in moderate circumstances; the distinctive costume is being laid aside, with many of the distinctive customs. And why? Because the society is losing its control over its younger members? Because its rigid rules no longer suffice to hold in check the human spirit, with its unconquerable love of freedom? This is the common explanation, and the one desired by those who love romance.

Vessels Beneath the Sea.

A hollow vessel, formed of metal or any other substance, and hermetically sealed, can be made to float under the water at a given distance without sinking to the bottom. Copper, for example, is nearly nine times as heavy as water. A cubic foot of copper made in a hollow, tight vessel of nine cubic feet capacity, would just float. By making it slightly smaller it would float at some depth below the surface. Careful measurements and exact calculations would be necessary to float such a vessel at a required depth. A torpedo boat capable of carrying six persons and remaining a number of hours under water was constructed during the late war, and one of the plans to release Napoleon from St. Helena contemplated the use of a vessel that could be used close to the island under the water.

A Juror's Question.

An English juror once asked the judge, after the verdict was returned, whether the fact that he differed from his 11 brethren justified their knocking him down with a chair.

Old Bricks.

Bricks apparently as good as when first made were excavated in Babylon recently, the marks on them proving them to be 4,000 years old.

Never Worry.

Take them and go about your business—they do their work whilst you are doing yours. Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills are system renovators, blood purifiers and builders; every gland and tissue in the whole anatomy is benefited and stimulated in the use of them. Forty doses in a vial, 10 cents.
Sold by James T. King and McMonagle & Rogers.

FACE HUMORS

Pimples, blotches, blackheads, red, rough, oily, mothy skin, itching, scaly scalp, dry, thin, and falling hair, and baby blemishes prevented by CUTICURA SOAP, the most effective skin purifying and beautifying soap in the world, as well as purest and sweetest for toilet, bath, and nursery.

Cuticura

Soap is sold throughout the world. POTTER DRUG AND CHEM. CORP., Sole Props., Boston, U. S. A.
"Facts to Prove Every Humor," mailed free.

EVERY HUMOR From Pimples to Scrofula cured by CUTICURA REMEDIES.

The Largest Variety of Men's
FELT RUBBER KIP
BOOTS!
THE PRICES WILL PLEASE YOUR POCKETBOOK.
Ayres' New Shoe Store, 5 WEST MAIN STREET, MIDDLETOWN.

THE USE OF CORAL

It Is by No Means as General as It Was Formerly.

"The beautiful coral necklaces and brooches that were once so fashionable are seldom worn now by women in this country," said a New York dealer in rare and curious ornaments to a Washington Star reporter recently. "Thirty years ago the material was in great demand for all sorts of articles of personal adornment. At the present day coral is used largely only in such countries as Abyssinia, the Congo, the Cape, India and Ceylon, Siberia, China and Japan. The choicest pieces are used for the buttons of Chinese mandarins or for ornamenting the turbans of rich Mussulmans, while the inferior qualities are sent to less civilized countries, where they are employed for various purposes.

"Coral has been often used as money in oriental countries, but that use of it is now declining. Barbarous and semi-civilized peoples employ it largely for ornamenting arrows, lances and pikes, and also for decorating corpses before interment. Prices have varied much of late years, a rapid decline in value having taken place, owing principally to the scarcity of good and the comparative abundance of inferior qualities.

"Besides the loss accruing to the fisherman the present scarcity of coral is very seriously affecting the large number of people employed in preparing the material for market. There has been a great decline in the number of women thus engaged at Leghorn, and the same state of affairs is evident at Naples and Genoa, the other principal seats of the industry. Nowadays the proportion of inferior quality is so much larger that fewer persons are required to manipulate the quantity. No machinery or mechanical process is employed. The workman simply takes pieces of coral into his or her hands, one after another, and, according to their thickness, quality and defects, works them into certain forms. Their wages run from 15 cents to 35 cents per day."

Kansas Pacific Sale Put Off.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.—Judge Sanborn has granted the request of the government for a continuance for 60 days of the sale of the Kansas Pacific railroad. This will make the date Feb. 15. The extension was granted to enable congress to take further action to protect the government's interest of about $15,600,000 in the property.

Higgins Need Not Produce the Papers.

BUFFALO, Dec. 14.—Surrogate Marcus has denied the motion to compel Ezra Higgins to produce the papers, among which the contestants allege is a later will of the late Edmund W. Higgins than the one giving the bulk of the estate, estimated at nearly $100,000, to Ezra Higgins. The contestants are relatives in Rochester.

Sensation In Kentucky Will Case.

PARIS, Ky., Dec. 14.—An investigation is to be made into charges brought against Hon. John T. Hinton, member of the legislature, and J. Hal Woodford, a prominent turfman, of attempting to bribe jurymen in the Thomas Woodford will case, now in progress.

CARSON & TOWNER.

HOLIDAY SUGGESTIONS.

We are showing a very attractive stock of useful articles, suitable for gifts, which it will be a pleasure for us to show—Ladies', gents' and children's Handkerchiefs in lace, linen and silk; Umbrellas, Leather Bags, Fine Towels, Silk and Moreen Skirts, Fine Hosiery, Lined Kid Gloves for ladies, gents and children; Fine Dress Patterns in silk and wool, Fur Collarettes, Muffs and Children's Sets Special values now on sale in Cloaks and Capes.

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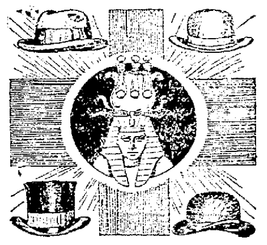
No. 11 West Main Street. Telephone 166.

HOLIDAY ANNOUNCEMENT.



Our Holiday Hat is a beauty, Fur and Cloth Caps, all grades; Mittens and Gloves, all grades. Silk and cassimer Mufflers and Silk Handkerchiefs. Silk Umbrellas or a nice Mackintosh Coat, Underwear and Hosiery.

Ready-made Clothing Sale—We are selling it fast at the price we are offering it at. People know good goods. Now is your time to buy a Suit, Overcoat or Ulster Coat. We want the money and they must go.

MERCHANT TAILORING DEPARTMENT.

Is booming with orders. We still have a good selection of Foreign and Domestic Cloths and people appreciate good work and style at our prices. All are invited to call at

JOHN E. ADAMS,

Leading Hatter and Clothier, No. 41 North Street.

A HOLIDAY DISPLAY!

10,000 Fancy Articles for Old and Young.

LOW PRICES RULE

4,000 doz. Handkerchiefs from 5c to 25c,—an Endless Variety.

Ask for our holiday specials in Skirts and Dress Goods, on which we have placed CUT PRICES.

H. E. CHURCHILL & CO.,

No. 39 North Street.

Useful Holiday Presents.

"The Hub" Shoe Store,

13 West Main Street.

Next to Carson & Towner's.

SLIPPERS 50 CTS. AND UPWARDS. ALL STYLES AT LOW PRICES.

Rubber Boots and Felt Boots, Arctics, Overshoes, all at the very lowest prices.

Dress Goods.

Another Case of "Jamestown" (Hall & Co.'s)

Dress Goods!

direct from the mill.

All the Latest Weaves and Colors

There is no use of praising the merits of these goods. You all know what they are if you have had them once. If not, call and examine them before purchasing.

UNDERWEAR!

of all kinds. Prices the lowest. Please give us a call and be convinced.

J. D. HORTON, AGT.,

No. 27 West Main Street.

I. B. A. TAYLOR & CO.,

DEALERS IN ALL KINDS OF

COAL!

All our COAL is screened by the POCKET SYSTEM, thereby insuring to the consumer clean coal.

Taylor's Coal Yard,

NO. 80 WEST MAIN ST., CORNER MILL ST.

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GIFTS THAT ARE LASTING.

Books make that kind of a gift and are always in fashion. So are our leather goods: Pocketbooks, Card Cases, Traveling Sets, Writing Tablets, Music Rolls, Cuff and Collar Boxes, etc.

So are Fountain and Gold Pens as well as Kodaks and Cameras.

So are our fine Toilet Sets, Presentation Boxes of Fine Stationery, Photograph Albums, Ink Stands and choice Pictures. Of all these goods there is no better assortment in this city than with us.

A Subscription for a Magazine is a lasting gift and is easily made through us. We have a special card for such cases that may be sent to indicate the gift and donor.

Hanford & Horton,

No. 6 North St., Middletown.

WANTED.

Fair Good Oxen in exchange for fair farm horses. Address, with particulars, at once.
G. F. HARDING,
Wurtsboro, N. Y.

TO OWNERS OF HORSES.

It would be to your interest to take a look in our Blanket Room and get prices on our

Robes and Blankets.

ASK TO SEE OUR

Heavy Lined Stable Blanket

WE

ARE SELLING FOR $1.

GEO. W. YOUNG,

Custom Ready-Made Clothier.

16-18 East Main St.

A GOOD TIME

TO BUY

Overcoats, Ulsters, Suits, Pants.

FROM NOW ON WE WILL SHOW NO MERCY ON PRICES, AS We are Very Much Overstocked A GOOD VARIETY TO SELECT FROM.

EVERYTHING MUST GO.

Look Over Our Line of Holiday Goods.

NO FANCY PRICES.

Fine Line Neckwear 23 and 35 Cents.

We Make Clothing Also

MORRIS B. WOLF,

No. 10 North St., Middl

AT STERN'S.

A Few Items Worth Mentioning.

Our Millinery Department is as near perfection as it can be made. The entire winter stock is all in—no need for ladies waiting for other styles. Endless variety of Ladies', Misses' and Children's Winter Cloaks. We are acknowledged leaders in these lines. Our assortment is too large and the space too mall to mention the different designs and prices. Come and see. Ladies' Shirt Waists in all prices. We have a fine Outing Flannel Waist at 48c. A Plaid Waist, latest cut, detachable collar and cuffs for 98c.—A beauty. Have sold over 25 dozen. Nice enough to wear to a ball. Over 200 Silk Waists in stock. Every style and quality represented from $2.48 up. No such assortment elsewhere. All at our Handsome Store. If you need a Separate Dress Skirt, remember we are headquarters.

L. STERN 13-15 NORTH ST.

C. EMMET CRAWFORD.

DO YOU KNOW

That it is a misdemeanor tc go to New York to buy your Christmas presents before you have called at our wareroems and looked through our MAMMOTH assortment, and the penalty is that you will be sorry for it. Beginning Monday, Dec. 6, and for the balance of the week, we invite every one to pay us a visit and just see what we have done this year for Holiday Goods. (No one urged to buy.) The goods will speak for themselves. Favor us with a call. See our Bric-a-Brac, Fancy Desks, Fancy Chairs, Children's Toy Furniture, Art Gallery, etc., and you will be pleased.

C. Emmet Crawford

44 AND 46 NORTH STREET.

N. B.—We will duplicate any prices on Carpets offered by any house in Middletown, and our stock is by far the largest.

What daintier gift at Christmas time than one bringing thoughts of summer!

Our Exquisite Perfumes are the sweet breaths of countless fragrant flowers concentrated, blended and brought to perfection.

Toilet Waters, Colognes and Finest Extracts all in bottles and packages, dainty in design, some in cut glass bottles, some plain, all faultless in finish and taste. Our own production from start to finish—two profits saved—these we share with our customers. A little money buys a pretty gift, the finest are far below the price of similar goods elsewhere.

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TUESDAY, DEC. 14, 1897.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—Cows for sale by Tegeler, Bircher & Co.
—Be sure you read the adv. of C. N. Predmore & Son.
—Fine line of trunks at Matthews & Co.'s
—Purse lost. Reward offered.
—Large variety of boots at Ayres'.
—"Devil's Auction," at Casino, Dec. 26th.
—Holiday presents at Geo. B. Adams & Co.'s.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—A few good seats are still unsold for Priscilla.

—"Out of Sight" at the Casino, Friday night.

—Regular meeting of the Board of Education, to-night.

—There will be a meeting of the Royal Arcanum, Wednesday night.

—Remember the band's concert and dance at the Casino, to-morrow night.

—J. Frank Tuthill has placed a set of rubber quoits in his cafe on Centre street.

—The Board of Supervisors are having a "blowout" at the county farm, to-day.

—The prices of the "Out of Sight" Company at the Casino, Friday night, are as usual. There will be no advance.

—The concert by the 24th Company Band at the Casino, to-morrow night will be the best band concert heard here in years.

—In the list of elected officers in Lucky Thought Lodge, the name of B. H. Hawley, collector, was inadvertently omitted.

—The special car run from Goshen, last night, on account of Priscilla, left that village, at 7.20, without a single passenger on board.

—Chief Higham and four firemen with extinguishers were stationed at the Casino during the production of Priscilla, Monday night.

—The Poughkeepsie police raided a concert saloon in that city, Saturday night, and arrested nine women and forty-one men.

—Yale's "Devil's Auction" at the Casino, next Monday evening, will be the first grand ballet that has been at the Casino this season.

—Mrs. O'Malley states that her husband will not start a coupe service in this city, but will continue in the express buisness in Scranton.

—"Out of Sight" is a farce comedy that is said to be excessively comical. Its first appearance in this city will be at the Casino, next Friday evening

—Hoffman Lodge will hold a special communication, Friday evening, to confer the third degree. Lunch will be served after the degree has been conferred.

—There will be a special meeting of Martha Washington Rebeckah Lodge, No. 30 Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Business of importance to transact. Members please be present.

—What a difference the little negative "not" makes. It should have been left out of the Christ Church meeting yesterday, and the item should have read: "All persons who *have* made pledges to church-lot funds are also invited to be present."

PERSONAL.

—J. J. Wood is able to get out after a long illness.

—Dr. Fred A. Carpenter, who has been visiting in town, returned to New York, to-day.

—James Harvey, of Newark, N. J., is in town visiting friends.

—The *Union* notes that Mrs. C. L. Elwood spent Sunday in Port Jervis.

—Among many out of towners who attended Priscilla were Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Owen, of Washingtonville, who were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Rockafellow.

—Charles Ritze, formerly clerk at the Commercial House, of this city, and of late proprietor of a hotel at Livingston Manor, has sold out. His future plans are not announced.

—The many friends of R. Brewster Beattie will be pleased to know that he is now singing solo parts on the Princeton University Glee Club. He sang with the Club in Brooklyn, Friday evening, and was received with great enthusiasm.

KNOCKED OVER THE STOVE

Geo. Marks and Family Had a Few Moments of Excitement.

George Marks, the industrious shoemaker in the Everson building on King street, was paid a visit by his wife and little son, Monday afternoon, about 4.30. The small boy got mixed up with a kerosene stove and upset it. There was a flash and the little room was filled with flames. The three hurried into the street, and John Duryea, who was near, rushed into Everson's feed store, and securing a bag, managed to throw the stove into the street. Others came with bags and the burning oil on the floor of the shop was quickly extinguished.

To-day's Funeral Services.

The funeral of the late Silas Vail occurred at his late home near this city at 2 o'clock, this afternoon, Rev. Dr. Gordon officiating. Burial was in Hillside.

The remains of the late Millicent Jane Horton, who died in New York city, Saturday, were brought to this city at 11:25, this morning, and taken to the Old School Baptist Church where services were held at 12. Burial was in Hillside, the bearers being Dr. G. A. Emery, J. M. Price, E. R. Harding, S. S. Tooker and William Inman.

Elected a Director of the Y. M. C. A.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Y. M. C. A., Monday evening, Dr. D. B. Harderbergh was elected a director in place of J. H. Cox, who resigned on account of leaving the city.

All druggists sell Dr. Miles' Pain Pills.

WORTHY OF HIGH PRAISE.

PRISCILLA WELL SUNG AND WELL ACTED BY HOME TALENT.

A Large and Delighted Audience Heard the First Presentation of this Pretty Comic Opera for the Benefit of Thrall Hospital—Everything Went Smoothly—Good Work by Cast and Chorus That Contributed to the Opera's Success—Second and Last Performance To-night.

The comic opera Priscilla as given at the Casino, last night, by home talent, for the benefit of Thrall Hospital, under the direction of C. E. Macomber, of Boston, was a most pronounced success, and the large audience testified to its delight by enthusiastic applause and frequent encores.

The opera abounds in tuneful solos and melodious choruses and cast and chorus had been so thoroughly drilled that there was no hitches or delays, no balks or breaks and the whole performance was given as smoothly as if by professionals. There were, moreover, no signs of stage fright, and although the Puritan maidens of the chorus when they first appeared seemed a little shy about letting their vows ring out, it is probable that that was exactly true to life and that Puritan maidens of the olden were a trifle shy when they met in the forest glades at Plymouth. But the shyness of the Puritan maidens of the chorus wore off, and after their first appearance they filled the house with melody whenever they opened their mouths in song. There were not many steps in the dances in which the maidens indulged,—(the terpsichorean vocabulary of the Puritans was limited if we may mix a metaphor,) but the dances were done with grace and spirit and were a pleasing incident of the evening's entertainment. The male chorus, though not so strong numerically as the chorus of Puritan maidens, was equally well drilled and its good work added more than a little to the opera's success.

The cast is as follows.

CAST.

Priscilla	Mrs. J. Antoinette Fuller-Cox
Resignation	Miss Bertha Morgans
Barbara	Miss Annie Campbell
Faith	Mrs. F. O. Rockafellow
Prudence	Miss Christine Myers
Miles Standish	Frank W. Senger
John Alden	H. A. Fisher
Hatebad Higgins	A. E. Nickinson
Guy Bradford	Chas. A. Whitney
Squanto	H. S. D. Witt

The ladies and gentlemen of the chorus were as follows:

LADIES.

Misses Bertha Morgans, Ella L. Dewey, Grace Stratton, Louise Storch, Nellie P. Lyon, Myra Mapes, Nellie Drake, Harriet May Bryant, Ethel Davis, Leila Mills, Isadora Black, L. Katherine Greene, E. Josephine Halstead, Caribel Gardiner, Elsie Johnson, Annie Campbell, Carrie Howland, Hilda Wolf, Christine Myers, Mrs. James F. O. Rockafellow, C. Macardell, Jr., C. B. Buck, E. D. Anderson, G. S. Jillett, W. W. Clark, H. D. King, W. F. Bailey, M. C. Ashley and Miss Hattie Hulse.

GENTLEMEN.

Messrs. T. K. DeWitt, H. S. DeWitt, G. B. Frint, F. B. Williams, F. S. Rogers, Charles A. Whitney, H. A. Fisher, Z. K. Greene, Edwin S. Merrill, Adam Shaffer, George Wengenroth, J. S. Weed, W. W. Clark, H. H. Mondon, Ernest C. Cox, Harry M. Lindsay, W. F. Bailey.

Mrs. J. Antoinette Fuller-Cox made an ideal Priscilla. She is so fair and comely that it is no wonder she played havoc with the hearts of John Alden and Miles Standish, the doughty warrior. She was perfectly at home on the stage, acted her part most admirably and her sweet and well trained voice was heard to excellent advantage. Her spinning wheel song at the opening of the second act was the gem of the evening. Colored lights were used with fine effect and she made a beautiful stage picture as she lamented in song John Alden's diffidence.

Miss Bertha Morgans added another to her list of stage successes by the admirable manner in which she acted and sang the part of Resignation, the middle aged spinster who is more than willing to end her spinsterhood. The scene in which she accepts Hatebad Higgins' offer of his hand and heart was made the most of by both participants and merited the enthusiastic encore which it received.

Miss Anna Campbell as Barbara, a Mayflower maid, made one of the hits of the evening. She entered heartily into her part, acted with ease, grace and spirit, and sang her way right into the favor of the audience. The distinctness of her enunciation in song and dialogue has been praised by many to day.

Mrs. F. O. Rockafellow and Miss Christine Myers as Faith and Prudence, were just what we have always thought "Mayflower buds" ought to be. Mrs. Rockafellow's sweet voice was heard to good advantage in a solo.

The part of Miles Standish was well taken by F. W. Senger, Mr. Macomber's advance agent, who has sung it several times before. He has a magnificent baritone voice and is thoroughly at home on the stage, and did his full share toward making the opera a success.

The difficult part of John Alden was taken by H. A. Fisher. His fine tenor voice was never heard to better advantage than it was, last night, and he put a deal of feeling and pathos into some of the more tender passages. He looked and acted well the part of the bashful lover, unconscious of his own deserts and all uncertain of the fact that he had found favor in the eyes of his loved one. Mr. Fisher was heartily applauded and he merited every hand clap that he received.

Charles A. Whitney, as William Bradford, was every inch a governor. He bore himself with befitting dignity and was thoroughly at home on the stage. He was in fine voice and sang with life and spirit and absolute correctness.

The very difficult role of Hatebad Higgins was admirably filled by A. E. Nickinson. Hatebad is expected to furnish comedy enough to lighten up the whole opera and A. E. Nickinson was certainly funny enough to meet the requirements of the most exacting. His make-up was a wonder and he acted up to his make-up. His topical song was one of the successes of the evening and there has been a great deal of wonder expressed as to the nature of the verse that he announced had been suppressed so that he "could not sing it now." As it was the number of encores that he received was limited only by the number of verses that he had up his sleeve. Just before the curtain fell on the last act Hatebad lost his wig, but he carried off the incident so well that if the chorus had not tittered the audience would not have known that it was not a bit of stage business.

Harvey DeWitt as Squanto has a part in which there is nothing to say, but much to do and he did it and did it so well as to cause many to wonder what Massachusetts Indians were like before they were "reformed."

The opera will be repeated, to-night, at 8:15, and it is safe to predict that the performance will be even more satisfactory that it was last night.

RECTOR HOWELL ON TRIAL.

Charged With Assaulting His Wife—A Family Feud of Years' Growth Aired in Court—Wife Testifies Against Husband.

Special to the DAILY ARGUS.

MONTICELLO, Dec. 14.—The trial of Rev. David T. Howell, who is charged by his wife with having choked her, was begun at 10 o'clock, this morning, in Waller Hall, which was packed to its fullest capacity, many of those present being women.

Justice of the Peace McMillen presided. Ex-Judge W. L. Thornton appeared for the prosecution and M. H. Couch defended the prisoner.

Mrs. Howell testified that she and her husband had had a difference in regard to his feeding the cat in the dining room. Both lost their tempers and angry words were exchanged and her husband finally seized her and started to eject her from the dining room. While doing so he choked her, bruising her neck and arm.

Nora Kniffen, employed as domestic servant at the rectory, gave testimony confirmatory of Mrs. Howell's story of the quarrel and subsequent assault. She also testified to having seen bruises on Mrs. Howell's neck and arms.

Mrs. Rogers Bradley and Miss Hattie Gregory, neighbors, and to whom Mrs. Howell went after escaping from the rectory, testified to seeing bruises on her neck and arms.

Mr. Howell took the stand on his own behalf. He swore that he and his wife had lived unhappily for some time on account of her ill temper and jealousy. He gave his version of the quarrel about feeding the cat, but said that he did not assault his wife in the manner she described, having merely used sufficient force to eject her from the dining room after she had made her presence intolerable by her angry words.

The case is still on.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Woman's Relief Corps of Gen. Lyon Post Chose Next Year's Officers.

At the annual election of officers of the Woman's Relief Corps, 180, Auxiliary to General Lyon Post, 266, held Dec. 11, the following officers were elected for the coming year:

President—Mary Luckey.
S. V.—Catharine Grundy.
J. V.—Esther Wood.
Chaplain—Lucy McMullen.
Treasurer—Frank R. Norris.
Secretary—Mary A. Ellen.
Conductor—Cornelia Everett.
Assistant Conductor—Sarah B. Wells.
Guard—Nancy Pyle.
Assistant Guard—Christina Forbes.
Delegate—Minerva J. Forrest.
Alternate—Marry A. Ellen.

Strike in the Newburgh Hat Factory.

Half a dozen boys employed in Ferry & Napier's Newburgh hat factory quit work, Monday, on account of a proposed reduction in their wages. They were paid $4.50 a week, which was reduced to $2.50, but they quit when it was proposed to pay them by the piece,—a cent and a half a dozen.

North Street Church Bazaar.

Remember the bazaar at the North Street Church, Dec 15 16 and 17. Many fancy and useful articles will be on sale. Come and select your Christmas presents. Fine entertainment and supper each evening. Oysters and chicken pie will be served.

A Production of Pinafore Promised.

It is understood that Mr. Macomber will return here next spring and give Pinafore. Mrs. J. Antoinette Fuller-Cox will drill the ladies of the chorus before the time when full cast and chorus rehearsals begin.

Highway Robbery in Newburgh.

A German resident of Newburgh, while passing along Liberty street, near Washington, Monday night, was robbed of his watch by a bold highwayman, who grabbed the time piece and made good his escape.

German Trout Fry for the Shawangunk

Several thousand German trout fry, of the size known as "fingerlings," were received at Winterton, this morning, from the Cold Spring, L. I., hatchery, and were placed in the Shawangunk Kill.

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THE COMMON COUNCIL.

LITTLE BUSINESS DONE AT LAST NIGHT'S REGULAR MEETING.

The Vacancy for the Third Ward Not Yet Filled—Several Ballots With the Same Result, Gavin 4, Owen 4—J. G. Martin's Sewer Caps to Be Paid For at Last—Cost of Paving and North Street Sewer Assessed.

The Aldermen were all in attendance at the regular meeting, Monday night, and Mayor Mance and Attorney Bradner occupied their usual chairs.

The only really commendable thing of importance which was done, was instructing the city attorney to make a settlement for those sewer caps with Mr. Martin.

Charles B. Wilkes asked the Council to investigate an assessment of $14 for relaying a walk on Beattie avenue, and it will be done.

Mr Memory moved to fill the vacancy in the Third Ward, Mr. Hirst did not think it pressing. Mr. Memory voted "Yes," Mr. Hirst "No" and the others kept silent but the chair declared the motion carried.

Mr. Bastian settled all doubt as to his position by announcing: "I don't know that it's necessary for me to state where I stand. I am for Mr. Gavin." Mr. Memory at once told the Council that he understood that Mr. Gavin would not accept it, but Mr. Tierney informed him that Mr. Gavin had authorized him to say that "he was at the mercy of the Council." Mr. Memory remarked that he felt sorry for him if he was at the mercy of "this Council."

The informal ballot resulted: Owen, 4; Gavin, 4.

Mr. Memory moved take a formal ballot.

Mr. Bastian—I second it.

President Ogden—I don't know as it's necessary.

Mr. Bastian (apologetically)—I don't know as we ask you whether it is necessary or not.

The vote was taken and it resulted just as had the informal ballot.

Mr. Memory found that he couldn't "pull his man through" and moved to proceed to other business. Mr. Memory said "Aye" and Mr. Hirst "No" and the rest kept still. "Carried," said the chairman.

Mr. Hirst wouldn't stand it and demanded the ayes and noes. The vote was a tie and Mr. Memory's motion was therefore lost.

Mr. Memory then moved that the Council ballot continuously for an hour. Mr Allen sneeringly suggested that he make it all night and then Mr. Memory said make it ten minutes.

The motion wasn't put, but Chairman Ogden announced that the Council would spend the next ten minutes in balloting.

Alderman Hirst asked to be excused for a few minutes and courteously asked that the balloting be suspended until his return. No sooner had the door closed behind him than Mr. Memory, who didn't know that it took five votes to elect, moved that Council proceed to ballot.

Mr. Hirst came running in just as the ballot was being taken.

Mr. Bastian again appealed to his associates to stop furnishing amusement for the crowd outside the rail by electing Mr. Gavin, whom the people of the ward wanted.

Mr. Crans asked for the attorney's opinion on the length of term to be filled and the latter finally said that he believed he held office as long as the acting mayor holds office.

Several ballots were taken, all resulting the same. There were five minutes of quiet and then with common consent other business was taken.

The cost of the North street sewer was $1,225 92. Centre street paving, $1,621 49; Depot street paving, $2,397 50; King street paving, $1,703.17, and all these amounts were assessed as the charter prescribes.

The Franklin street sewer matter was referred to the Sewer Committee and Commissioners.

The securing of badges for the hackmen was referred to the Street Committee and city clerk. This was one of Mr. Memory's digs at the Mayor. Other similar matters have been referred to the mayor in times past.

A bill of David Keener was referred to the Building Committee.

Mr. Hirst's request for a stove and thirty-two feet of pipe for Excelsors was referred to the Fire Committee, as was the Monhagen furnace trouble.

A proposition from the electric light company was referred to the attorney.

A long list of bills was audited.

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OBITUARY.

Mrs. George R. Shaver.

Mrs. George R. Shaver, of Shavertown, Delaware county, died suddenly in Port Jervis, Saturday night. She had gone there to assist in caring for her granddaughter who had been taken sick while visiting at her cousin's, Ed. Carroll's. Mrs. Shaver's husband is confined to his home by illness.

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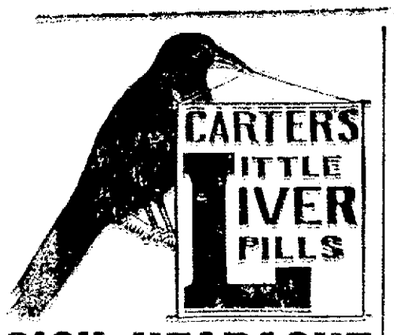

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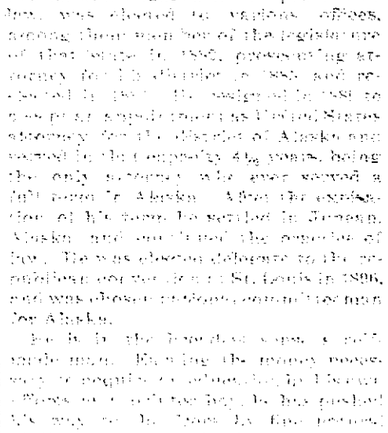
It embraces more than one-fifth of the entire territory of the United States. It extends from Point Barrow, the most northerly point of Alaska, to the southern end of the Alexander Archipelago, a distance of 1,200 miles, and from Point Hope, on the Arctic coast, to the most westerly of the Aleutian Islands, a distance of 1,000 miles. It includes within its limits the Yukon river country, which is now attracting the attention of the whole world.

Judge Johnson was born in a log cabin on the prairies of Jones county, Ia., in 1856, educated in the high schools of Cincinnati, agricultural college, and State University of Iowa, graduating from the law department of the latter institution in 1878. He removed to Nebraska and engaged in the practice of law, was elected to various offices, serving three years as one of the regents of that state. In 1885, growing strong enough for his climate, he went to Dakota, where he was elected to the supreme bench of that territory, serving four years as chief justice. He resigned to accept the appointment as governor of Alaska, and entered on the duties of that office in 1890. He was appointed by President Harrison attorney for the district of Alaska, and served in the capacity 4½ years, being the only attorney who ever served a full term in Alaska. After the expiration of his term he settled in Juneau, Alaska, and was elected the mayor of that city. He was chosen delegate to the republican national convention at St. Louis in 1896, and was chosen president pro tem of the convention.



WILLIAM C. JOHNSON.
(The Appointee of Washington as Area of Eight Square Miles.)

Judge Johnson is about 20 minutes to the telegraph office from Juneau, Alaska.

The position of judge for this century of immigration is a sinecure. The duties incidental to the prompt administration of justice are the lack of transportation facilities, the great distances, want of means for communication, and the difficulty of securing competent and reliable jurors.

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SUCCEEDS HIS FATHER.

Oscar Straus, the New Minister to Turkey, Editor of the New York Sun.

Oscar Straus, the new minister to Turkey, is a lawyer by profession, but for the last seven years he has been editor of the Sun, a morning newspaper of New York. He succeeds his father, Lazarus Straus, who has been minister to Turkey for the last three years. Mr. Straus is a native of Rhenish Bavaria, and came to this country when he was 10 years old. He was graduated from Columbia college in the class of 1871, and then studied law in the office of Abram Wakeman, a well-known lawyer of New York city. He was admitted to the bar in 1871, and practiced his profession for several years. He was appointed minister to Turkey by President Cleveland in 1887, and served in that capacity until 1889. He was then appointed by President Harrison minister to Turkey, and served in that capacity until 1890. He was then appointed by President Harrison minister to Turkey, and served in that capacity until 1890. He was then appointed by President Harrison minister to Turkey, and served in that capacity until 1890.

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Kentucky Woman Wants the Prohibition Nomination.

Mrs. Josephine K. Henry Outlines Her Policy in the Event of Her Choice as Chief Magistrate of the United States.

Mrs. Josephine K. Henry, of Versailles, Ky., who is being boomed for the prohibition nomination for president of the United States in 1900, does not hope to be elected this time, even if she should get the nomination, but she firmly believes that the day will come when a woman will rule the destinies of this nation.

Mrs. Henry is one of the foremost advocates of the woman suffrage movement in America. She first came into prominence by her battle, begun some years ago, for equitable property laws for married women, which she finally succeeded in having enacted by the legislature of Kentucky, and which is said by lawyers to be the greatest legal revolution that ever took place in the state. Last year her speeches throughout Kentucky for Bryan and silver added considerable to her reputation. Her lifework, however, is her effort to secure the ballot for "enslaved women." Mrs. Henry, as a fluent, eloquent and convincing speaker, has no equal among southern women, and is the peer of almost any of the masculine orators.

She is the only woman in Kentucky who ever ran for state office, being twice nominated by the prohibition party for clerk of the court of appeals (in 1890 and in 1894), and making a spirited campaign upon the stump during her first race, when she received 5,000 votes.

Mrs. Henry's husband is Capt. William Henry, who for 30 years has commanded Bonny and Jessie in New York Bay. They have had seven children, their son, Frederick W. Henry, an only child, being killed in a railroad wreck at Cato, Ills., in 1895.

Different from the peculiar conception of a woman suffragist leader, Mrs. Henry is very domestic, and a model housekeeper, giving her home duties precedence over everything else. There

MRS. JOSEPHINE K. HENRY.
(Prohibition Candidate for President in 1900.)

is not a better housekeeper in the state, and every meal she serves is a model of excellence. She and her husband, who is a prominent lawyer, are very wealthy.

Since her name was first mentioned in the country as a candidate for president Mrs. Henry has received hundreds of congratulatory letters from prominent prohibitionists and women suffragists, and other communications of the kind are pouring in upon her.

"The time will come when there will be a woman president of the United States, or there will be no universal republic," Mrs. Henry declared, "for the ministers of a Chinese Times-Democrat correspondent. "The most successful governments, and those which are in the highest state of civilization, are ruled by women. I am ashamed of this state-ment as to its lack of truth, but Mr. Gladstone, who is quoted as saying that in dealing with India and the other British possessions a throne is a woman rules the government is home rule and no war." I am sure he does not know what he is talking about. Queen Victoria is the woman I love best. The most happy, simple period was Victoria. We have had no wars. The combination of the two is absolutely necessary to the perfect government. Our present form of government is a mere caricature of the true democracy we profess to be. We claim to be a government of the people, and yet we are told women are not people. And the American men are not ready for this American woman, young, fair and full of life and spirit, as equals in their midst. This is the grandest country the world ever saw, and what is needed is for men and women to think—women have never thought. The day will come when there will be an awakening."

Mrs. Henry has recently outlined the policy she would adopt in the conference of her cabinet as president. The central idea of which are "The entire elimination of American women," "free coinage of silver," "recognition of Latin-American republics," "pension reform," "reduction of federal offices," "a reciprocation tariff committee," "Hawaiian annexation," "postal telegraphs," and "the abolition of the liquor traffic." Mrs. Henry is an optimistic and would refuse to incorporate God in the constitution.

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In witness whereof, I have hereunto caused the seal of the said County Court to be hereunto affixed. Witness, Hon. Alton B. Parker, County Judge of Orange county, this 6th day of December, 1897.

W. G. TAPPAPT, Clerk.

GEO. E. DECKER, Attorney for Assignee, Middletown, N. Y.

SUPREME COURT, Orange county.—The Wheeler, Madden and Clemmon Manufacturing Company against Catherine Hadley and others.

In pursuance of a judgment of foreclosure and sale, made in the above entitled action, by a Special Term of the Supreme Court, held at the Special Term Room in the city of Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county, New York, on the ninth day of November, 1897, and duly entered in the Clerk's office of Orange county on the 10th day of November, 1897, I, the undersigned, the referee named and appointed in and by said judgment, will sell at public auction, at the Russell House, in the city of Middletown, Orange county, New York, on Monday, the 13th day of December, 1897, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, all the premises mentioned in said judgment and therein described as follows:

All that certain village lot of land situate on the southeast side of a forty foot wide street, which runs from Montgomery street to lands of William Clement, and is bounded and described as follows:—Beginning at the south line of said street, at the east corner of land of one Patrick Dougherty, it being the northerly corner of the lot herein to be conveyed, and runs from thence south-westerly along Dougherty's line one hundred feet to line of lands of the Orange & Ulster Railroad; thence southeasterly along said Railroad line fifty-seven feet to line of lands of William Clement; thence northeasterly along said Clement's line one hundred feet to said street; thence northwesterly along said street fifty-seven feet, more or less, to the place of beginning. Dated September 17th, 1897.

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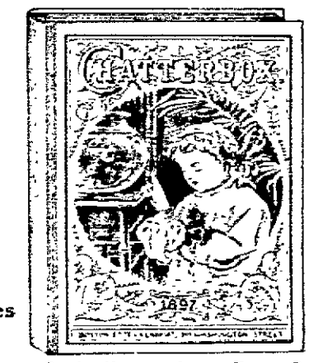

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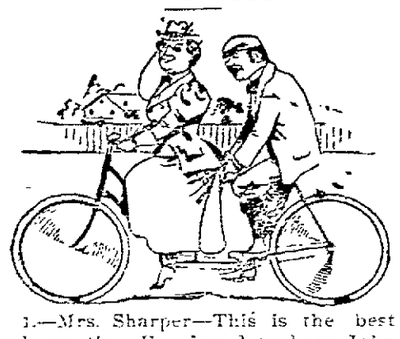

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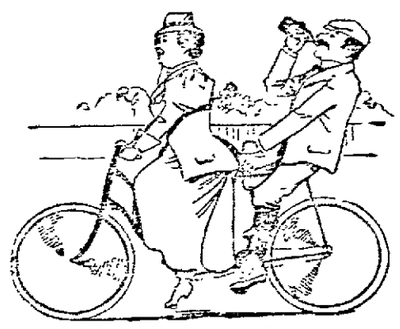

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215—Rear of State Hospital.
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37—Mulberry and Fulton streets.
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Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, act gently and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the entire system, dispel colds, cure headache, fever, habitual constipation and biliousness. Please buy and try a box of C. C. C. today; 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and guaranteed to cure by all druggists.

Ladies Can't Shave,

But they can shake Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet into their shoes and get rest and comfort. It cures corns, bunions, tired, swollen, sweating feet. 10,000 testimonials. At all druggists and shoe stores, 25 cents. Sample free. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, New York.

Doctors Prescribe It.

"JERSEY CITY, N. J., March 2.—My physician recommended Allen's Foot Ease, the powder for aching, sweating feet, corns and bunions. I shake it into my shoes, and am delighted with it. D. D. Clark." At all druggists and shoe stores, 25 cents. Sample free. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

Mrs. Mary Bird, Harrisburg, Pa., says: "My child is worth millions to me; yet I would have lost her by croup had I not invested twenty-five cents in a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure." It cures coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles. W. D. Olney.

Mother Gray's Sweet Worm Powders

were successfully used in treating children's complaints by Mother Gray, for years a nurse in the Children's Home at New York. They will certainly remove all kinds of worms, and when a child is feverish, with bad stomach and irregular bowels, they always cure. Pleasant and harmless as milk. Mothers should give Mother Gray's Sweet Worm Powders to their children occasionally through the year. They prevent worms forming. Sold by all druggists. Price 25 cents. Sample sent free. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

Rheumatism Cured in 24 Hours.

T. J. Blackmore, of Haller & Blackmore, Pittsburgh, Pa., says: "A short time since I procured a bottle of 'MYSTIC CURE.' It got me out of the house in twenty-four hours. I took to my bed with Rheumatism nine months ago and the 'MYSTIC CURE' is the only medicine that did me any good. I had five of the best physicians in the city, but I received very little relief from them. I know the 'MYSTIC CURE' to be what it is represented and take pleasure in recommending it to other poor sufferers. Sold by J. E. Mills, No. 2 Empire Block, North

MIDDLETOWN TIME TABLES.

Erie Railroad Co.

Trains leave from Middletown Stations, beginning Nov. 28, 1897, and continuing until further notice, as follows:

Trains marked with * run daily. Trains Nos 601, 625, 606, 617, 620 and run Sundays only. All other trains daily except Sunday. †Train Nos. 1 & 6 will stop only for passengers for Binghamton or west thereof—due notification must be given at the ticket office. Trains with the following letters affixed indicate connection, viz.: "G" with Newburg Branch via Greycourt; "T" with Newburg Short-cut Branch via Turners; "A" with Newburgh short cut via Arden "M" with Montgomery Branch, and "P" with Pine Island Branch.

GOING EAST.

Nos	James St. Sta.	Main St. Sta
* 12 Chicago Ex.	4.9 a.m.	
* 10 New York Special	6.01 "	
26 Middletown Way	6.30 "	....6.52 a.m
16 Orange Co. Ex., G. M.	7.10 "	....7.32 "
28 Mountain Ex., T	6.23 "	... 8.25 "
38 Del. Val. Ex. (M. P. G.)	10.48 "	
* 6 W. Mail, (G. exc't pt Su)	12.55 p.m.	...12 57 p.m
20 Way, A. M. P. G.	4.10 "	...4.19 "
* 2 C. & G. T. Ex. "A"	5.00 "	
* 8 C. & St. L. Limited	5.55 "	
22 P. J. Local T.	7.26 "	...7.28
* 14 Wells Fargo Express	10 40 "	
606 P. J. Local (Sun only) M. P. and G. T.	8.23 a. m.	
620 P. J. Local (Su only) "G"	5.08 p. m.	
18 Milk (Sunday only)	6.55 p. m.	

GOING WEST

Nos.	James St. Sta.	Main St. Sta
* 17 Milk	6.47 a.m.	
21 Port Jervis Way	10.36 "	....10.32 a.m
* 1 Day Express	†10.56 "	
9 Corning Express	11.25 "	
11 Port Jervis Local	1.04 p.m.	.... 1.01 p.m
33 Port Jervis Exp.	3.40 "	.... 3.37 "
†* 5 C. & St. L. Exp.	4.16 "	
27 Mountain Exp.	5.42 "	.... 5.38 "
15 Orange Co. Exp.	6.46 "	.... 6.41 "
25 Middletown Way ar.	8.05 "	.... 8.03 "
* 7 C. & G. T. Exp.	9.34 "	
29 Way	9.12 "	
* 3 Chicago Exp.	11.12 "	
601 Sunday Local	10 38 a.m.	
625 P. J. Way (Sun only)	2.08 p.m	
617 " " "	10 29 "	

Passenger trains for Middletown leave foot of Chamber street, New York, at *4.00, 7.45, 9 15, 10.30 a. m.; 1.00, 3 30, 4 30, 5.30, 6.30, *7.30, *8.45 p. m. Also additional Sunday trains at 7.45, a. m. 12.30 and 7.30 p. m.

Crawford Branch.

GOING NORTH.

No	Leave for	James St. Sta.	Main St. Sta
101	Pine Bush Mail	11 35 a.m.	....11.40 a.m
*115	" "	.....	....6.55 p.m
601	Sun. only	11 00	....11.10 a.m

COMING SOUTH

*129	Arrive from Pine Bush	....5.16 a.m
*130	" " "	....5.40 pm

N. Y., O. & W. R. R.

NORTH.

Trains leave Wickham avenue depot, Middletown as follows:

No 9	First Milk	7.45 a m
No. 11	Second Milk	8 45 a m
No. 1	Ontario Express	10.55 a m
No. 7	Sullivan County Express	6.15 p m
No. 5	Pacific Express	8 45 p m
No. 21	Local	11.00 a m

SOUTH

Trains leave Wickham avenue depot for New York as follows:

No. 8	Mountain Express	8.10 a m
No. 22	Local	2.20 p m
No. 2	New York Express	4.30 p m
No. 12	First Milk	6.20 p m
No. 10	Second Milk	7.35 p m
No. 6	Atlantic Express	6.43 p m

Trains leave New York at 8.10 and 7.40 a. m., 3.00 and 6.00 p. m.

J. C. ANDERSON, Pass. Agt.

N. Y., S. & W. R. R.

In effect Nov 28th, '97.

NORTH

New York Ferries	Daily a m	Daily ex Sun p m	Sun p m
West 23d St.	8 10	.....	5 30
Cortlandt and Desbrosses St.	8 20	...	4 15
Jersey City	8 46	.....	4 45
Hackensack	9 14	.....	5 15
Paterson (Broadway)	9 26	.....	5 32
Paterson	9 29	.....	5 34
Two Bridges	10 55	2 50	6 56
Ogdensburg	11 07	3 05	6 30
Franklin	11 12	3 15	6 36
Hamburg	11 20	3 25	6 44
Oxfordtown	11 28	3 40	6 52
Quarryville	11 33	3 52	7 10
Unionville	11 44	4 04	7 18
Westtown	11 49	4 15	7 24
Johnson	11 55	4 27	7 31
Slate Hill	12 00	4 37	7 41
Middletown	12 12	4 50	7 45

SOUTH.

	Daily a m	Daily ex Sun a m	Daily p m
Middletown	6 30	7 12	5 04
Slate Hill	6 42	7 25	5 15
Johnson	6 48	7 35	5 21
Westtown	6 54	7 43	5 27
Unionville	6 59	7 55	5 34
Quarryville	7 06	8 07	5 43
Oxfordtown	7 14	8 30	5 51
Hamburg	7 22	8 46	6 06
Franklin Junction	7 27	.....	.....
Franklin	7 29	8 56	6 07
Ogdensburg	7 34	9 05	6 12
Two Bridges	7 51	9 27	6 28
Paterson City	9 05	10 36	7 45
Paterson (Broadway)	9 05	10 47	8 01
Hackensack	9 16	10 57	8 11
Jersey City	9 28	11 12	8 27
New York Ferries—			
Cortlandt and Desbrosses St.	9 53	11 29	8 38
West 23d street	10 15	11 45	9 20

f—Stop on signal.

The Great Food Digester.

S. Grover Graham's Dyspepsia Cure is having a very unusual sale, because of its unusual merit. For sale by

F. M. PRONK

Beware of Imitations

LEA & PERRINS' The Original & Genuine Worcestershire SAUCE

JOHN DUNCAN'S SONS, AGENTS, NEW YORK.

FOR SALE!

Very desirable House and Lot on Linden Terrace, fine property on Orchard street, choice Building Lots on Bennett Hill. Other well located properties.

CASE & TAYLOR,

Real Estate and Insurance Agents
No. 15 North St., Middletown.

ERIE RAILROAD

Solid trains between New York and Chicago, via Chautauqua Lake or Niagara Falls. Pullman cars between New York and Rochester, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Toronto, Chautauqua Lake, Cleveland, Cincinnati and Chicago.

TIME TABLE ADOPTED NOV. 28, '97.

Eastern Time.	S. Spec. 617	S. Spec. 625	S. Spec. 601	3	7	29	25	15	27	5	33	11	9	1	21	17	8	22	14	606	20	18
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Arr. CHICAGO																						
Arr. Lv. Cent. Time																						

*Daily. Sundays only. †Except Sunday. b. Stops for passengers to Binghamton and beyond.

Middletown & Crawford Branch—Leave Main St., Middletown, for Pine Bush at 11:40 a. m., daily except Sunday; 11:10 a. m., Sundays only, and 6:55 p. m. daily.

Montgomery Branch—Leave Goshen for Montgomery at 7.27 a. m., daily except Sunday; 11:20 a. m. and 5:28 p. m., daily except Sunday; 10:55 Sunday only.

Pine Island Branch—Leave Goshen for Pine Island at 11:20 a. m. and 6:55 p. m. daily except Sunday; 10:55 Sunday only. Leave Goshen for Deckertown 8:45 a. m. and 6:35 p. m., daily except Sunday.

Newburgh, via Turners—Leave Turners for Newburgh at 7:35 a. m., daily, except Sunday; 10:53 a. m., daily except Sunday; 9:00 p. m. daily; 10:30 a. m., Sunday only. Train 30 and 2 connects for Newburgh via Arden, instead of Turners.

Newburgh, via Greycourt—Leave Greycourt at 7:43 a. m., daily except Sunday; 11:10 a. m., daily, except Sunday; 1:23 and 6:20 p. m. daily, except Sunday; 10:45 a. m. and 5:37 p. m., Sunday only.

Trains Nos. 6, 11, 15, 16, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 33 and Sunday Specials 601, 617, 625 stop at Main street, Middletown.

DR. BRUM'S FOR EITHER SEX. This remedy being injected directly to the seat of these diseases of the Genito-Urinary Organs, requires no change of diet. Cure guaranteed in 1 to 5 days. Small plain package, by mail, $1.00. Sold only by

B & G CURE

AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

The Social and Athletic Association's Election of Officers—A Pleasant Evening—Opening of the Palm Garden—Cummins Post Election—Home from Europe.

From Our Regular Correspondent

—The annual meeting and election of officers of the Goshen Social and Athletic Association was held last evening. The reports of the Treasurer and Financial Secretary were rendered and all the old officers re-elected. They are: President, J. W. Gott; Vice Presidents, Jason W. Corwin, Dr. F. W. Seward, Hon. Louis Bedell; Secretary, Frank Drake; Treasurer, Charles G. Elliott; Financial Secretary, W. N. Hoffman; Governing Committee, J. W. Gott, Frank Drake, Victor K. Mills, John H. Staats, A. J. Moore, J. B. Sweezy, Dudley Murray. A committee to arrange for a pool and billiard tournament was appointed: James E. Landy, J. W. Hayne, Thomas Mould. A committee for the next entertainment was appointed: W. N. Hoffman, George M. Millspaugh, R. A. Kipp. The regular monthly entertainment was given immediately after the business meeting. Rev. George C. Betts entertained the members very delightfully by humorous stories, anecdotes and readings. Many of the members are laughing yet at the quaint and humorous sayings of Mr. Betts. Henry Jonas gave a gramaphone entertainment at intervals throughout the evening. Mr. Jonas' gramaphone is a superb article, and his judgment in the choice of selections to please the members is commendable. "Uncle Samuel" and "Aunt Sarah" Jarvis served a bang-up luncheon. The entertainment was emphatically and unreservedly a success, and this fact is largely due to the energy of the chairman of the entertainment committee, James E. Landy.

—The Palm Garden, Frank Buckman's ultra-swell drinking establishment, with bowling alley connection, will be formally opened Monday night. Parkin's orchestra will furnish music on this occasion, and a banquet will be served, to which the public is invited.

—Col. F. M. Cummins Post, G. A. R., has elected the following officers: Commander, N. C. Duryea; Sr. V. C., S. F. Barnes; Jr. V. C., John M. Farrell; Chaplain, James C. Coleman; Sergeant, David Bruce; Quartermaster, A. J. Moore; Officer of the Day, Ira Fairchild; Officer of the Guard, William Judson.

—Charles Duryea arrived home, Monday, from Germany, where he has been traveling.

BUSINESS AND PLEASURE

Y. P. S. C. E. of the First Congregational Church in Monthly Session.

The regular monthly business and social meeting of Y. P. C. E. of the First Congregational Church was held, Monday night, at the home of J. Charles Schwartz, on South street.

After the business session the following interesting programme was given:

Poem.....
Rev. Dr. W. E. Robinson.
Paper—"History of the Puritans from their rise in the sixteenth century".....
Chas. L. Boyd.
Paper—"Light of Civilization to Puritanism".....
Written by Harry W. Tuthill and read by Howard B. Keeler.
Solo, banjo accompaniment.....
Miss Mamie Jones
Reading—"The Puritan".....
Rev. Dr. W. E. Robinson.
Reading—"The Pilgrim Father".....
Miss Libbie Carpenter.
Poem—"The Landing of the Pilgrims".....
Mrs. N. G. Mapes
Solo.....
Miss Minnie Jones.

Refreshments and other pleasurable amusement followed.

HANGING IN THE WOODS.

Believed to Be Christian Jensen, of Milwaukee, an E. and W. Excursionist.

The body of a man was found hanging in the woods along the O. and W. track, near Constantia, fifteen miles from Oneida, Sunday night. In the pockets were found a second class ticket from Chicago to New York, via the O. and W., and a steamship ticket on which was written "Christian Jensen, Milwaukee." It is believed that the man was a passenger on the O. and W.'s excursion, November 26th, and the agent at Constantia states that he was in his office, November 27th, and stated in broken English that he was going to Milwaukee.

Advertised Letter List.

List of letters remaining uncalled for at the Middletown postoffice for the week ending Dec. 13th:

LADIES.

DeGroat, Mrs. Nellie — O'Brien, Mary C.
Hopkins, Miss Cora May — Seaman, Mrs. J.
Mix, Miss Kittie — Stiles, Mrs. J. M.
McNeal, Miss Theresa

GENTLEMEN.

Bennett, Frank S. — Martinner, B. G.
Hall, Thomas — Smith, D. W.
Harrison, Harry — Stiles, G. H.
Hetzel, Joseph — Swift, O.

C. L. ELWOOD, P. M.

Death of a Veteran.

Henry C. Baker, late a member of Co K, 124th, N. Y. Vols., died at his late residence in Sugar Loaf, Sunday afternoon. Funeral at his late residence, Wednesday, at 2 p. m.

"Only the Best"

Should be your motto when you need a medicine. Do not be induced to take any substitute when you call for Hood's Sarsaparilla. Experience has proved it to be the best. It is an honest medicine, possessing actual and unequalled merit. Be wise and profit by the experience of other people.

Hood's Pills are the best family cathartic and liver medicine. Gentle, reliable, sure.

Headache bad? Get Miles' Pain Pills.

The Beauty of Health.

Health is what makes a woman beautiful. Beauty is another name for health. Find a face that is fair, cheeks that are rosy and full, eyes that sparkle, a form that is well-rounded and symmetrical—and you will find perfect health.

It is sad to think there should be so many sufferers among women. They are the real martyrs of the world. They endure pains, aches and agonies in silence, when there is neither need nor necessity for their torture.

Dr David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy

makes women attractive by making them healthy and strong. It builds up the nerves, makes the blood rich and pure, strengthens the organs that are often weak, and stops the wastes that tear down the system. It cures the endless chain of female troubles. It is the best friend that woman ever had.

A daughter of Mrs. Christina Beal, of Jonesport, Me., suffered greatly from female troubles. No doctor could help her. But Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy made her strong and well. It will make thousands of other women perfectly healthy if they will only try it.

$1 a bottle; 6 bottles $5. Of any druggist.

HAVEN.

Will Cut Much Cord Wood—Improving Roads and Bridges—Work on the Canal—Personal and Local Notes.

Correspondence of ARGUS and MERCURY.

—John Ogg is boarding with his brother, Sam, on his boat this winter. They say they live like kings on No. 1175 as Sam is a first class cook.

—There will be a great quantity of cord wood banked on the canal this winter as Capt. Fred Jansen has purchased a large tract of woodland on the Shawangunk. We hear that it is very heavily timbered and will trim off an immense number of cords.

—Miss Sybil Decker was home, Sunday.

—Stanton's gang from Wurtsboro are busily engaged in resheeting the lower towpath wing of Oak Brook aqueduct, about one and a half miles south of Haven on the D. and H. Canal. It is quite a job, as the old sheeting was about four feet below the bottom of the canal and, therefore, the amount of dirt to be excavated was a huge pile. It was in readiness for the carpenters, Saturday morning. The excavation from the top of the towpath to the bottom of the trench is sixteen feet and the entire length of the trench is nearly forty feet. The soft weather we are having is just what is needed for work of this kind and if the weather continues the job will be completed in good shape.

—The bridge across the Bashas Kill at this place has been thoroughly repaired and Monday morning Commissioner Rhodes commenced repairing the road. He will employ a number of men and teams and intends to put the highway in good shape.

—John Hosier, who was in Monticello last week, as a juror, returned home, Saturday night.

—Capt. John Hughes, of Westbrookville, called on friends at Haven, Sunday.

—Foreman Stanton drew a Georgia pine timber thirty-five feet long, 10x12, weighing over 2,500 pounds, with his scow horse, from Spring Glen to Oak Brook, Friday of last week. As the wheeling was very heavy it was a big day's work.

—Fotis Murphy and his trotter "Dan" make it warm for Stanton and his men going to and from work.

—Mrs. William Moore is confined to her bed with sciatic rheumatism. We hope for her speedy recovery.

—Miss Hattie Moore returned to her home, Sunday night, from Cuddebackville, where she has been assisting Mrs. Job Van Inwegen in her household duties. She will help her mother, who is sick at present.

—L. H. Decker is on the sick list with the chills.

—John Scales, now of Port Jervis, has been visiting his brother, William, who is boarding, this winter, with Capt. Fred Jansen, of this place.

—The raffle and dance at Moses Henderson's, last week, was a pleasant affair, as those who participated report.

MIDDLETOWN Savings Bank—Money deposited on or before the 10th days of January and July, and the 3d days of April and October, will draw interest from the 1st.

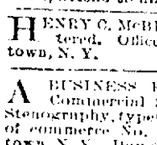
CHARLES J. EVERSON, successor to William W. Reeve, Surveyor and Civil Engineer, office No. 5 King street, Middletown.

J. W. WORCESTER, M. D., late of New York city. Fine Dentistry in all its branches. Expert in the use of gas and extraction. 37 NORTH ST., Middletown, N. Y.

DILL & COX, Attorneys and Counsellors at Law, office No. 3 South street, Middletown, N. Y., attend to all kinds of law business.

HENRY C. McBRAIR, D. D. S. Gas administered. Office over Savings Bank, Middletown, N. Y.

A BUSINESS EDUCATION — Railway and Commercial Systems practically taught—Stenography, typewriting and telegraphy, school of commerce No. 47 Washington street, Middletown, N. Y. Day and evening. Established 1895. 635dlyFeb17 J. B. VANGELDER, Principal.



Those special Blank Books I had made at McINTYRE'S BINDERY, 32 North Street, Middletown, are first class and the price was all right. 3

NEW TO-DAY.

LOST—A Lady's Purse, Monday, containing money and receipts. Finder will be rewarded by leaving same at this office. 11d

HONEY Delivered C. O. D.—Five pound pail, pure extracted, 70c. Order by phone or postal at Belding's Flower Store or house, Cottage street. d30,7,14,21 CHESTER BELDING.

HOME-Made Sauer Kraut at 20d2t ANDREW BROWN'S Market.

HOMESTEAD Building and Loan Association Dues collected Monday and Tuesday evenings. 20d2t H. J. LEONARD, Sec.

MILLINERY Business for sale cheap. Full particulars by addressing 20d6t A. B., ARGUS office.

CHRISTMAS Trees for sale at 20d2t ANDREW BROWN'S Market.

MUSICAL Instruction on mandolin, piano, violin, guitar, banjo, flute by VINCENT MAGGIO, 68 Northstreet, second floor. d&wl

EXTRACTING with gas 50c., odontunder 50c. No charge for extracting when artificial teeth are to be inserted. Best teeth $6, $8 and $10 a set. Twenty years' experience. 9d&wtf DR. ROBINSON, 44 and 46 James St.

WE HAVE MADE a deep cut in the prices of our Trimmed Hats, in order to reduce the stock at once. Also special low prices on Felt Hats, Turbans and Bonnets. 50d&wtf MRS. BUSH, 144 North street.

JEROME FOLLETTE, Piano and Organ Tuner Fine tone and action regulating a specialty. All work guaranteed. Orders left at T. B. Dayton's Real Estate Agency, Room 1, Stern's Building North St., Middletown, N. Y. 32d&wly Aug28'98

CAROLINA Tar Syrup cures coughs when other remedies fail. Proven a good thing by experience. Try it. 25c a bottle at CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street, second door from postoffice.

FOR RENT—Double house, No. 14 Beattie avenue, arranged for two families, city water. Barn if wanted. Low rent, desirable location. 11dtf F. C. EVERSON, 150 East Main street.

LADIES' and Gents' Suits and overcoats cleaned, dyed and pressed, gloves cleaned, ostrich plumes cleaned, dyed and curled. 86d3mFeb2 J. A. AUSTIN, 93 Wickham Ave.

TWO Grain Quinine Pills 5 cents a dozen, 30 cents a hundred. Each pill guaranteed to contain two grains of pure sulphate of quinine, no better made. Get them at CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street, second door from postoffice.

PAPER Hanging at 12½c a roll; also all kinds of painting. Estimates on all work cheerfully furnished. EMIL MARTINI, dtf Shop 5 Academy Ave.

THE Klondike isn't in it with the bargains in second-hand goods at LOEVEN'S Storage House, 21 Monhagen avenue. 78dlyOc23,98

Cottage Hotel Entertainments.

WEEK OF DEC. 6.

Matinees at 3. Evenings at 8.

The Two Deas, comedy, acrobatic, sketch; Miss Minnie Reinhart, comic songs, song and dance; Miss Jennie Ward, serio-comic.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Dec. 10, 1897.

The annual election for directors of this bank will be held at the banking rooms of the bank on Tuesday, January 11th, 1898, from 9 a. m. to 10 a. m. At this meeting will be considered the advisability of amending Article 3, of the articles of association of this bank, which article determines the number of directors to be elected.

18dtoJan11 SEYMOUR DEWITT, Cashier.

DISSOLUTION—On the first day of December, 1897, the firm of Thomas C. and Fred C. Royce, Dentists, Middletown, N. Y., was dissolved by mutual consent. The business will be continued by Dr. Thomas C. Royce, who will be assisted by Dr. A. Freeman Foote, late of Brooklyn, N. Y. Dr. Foote is making a specialty of operative dentistry and is familiar with the application of electricity in its use for ameliorating pain attending dental operations. Crown and bridge work and dentistry in all its branches will receive prompt and careful attention at this office, corner of Main and South streets, over National Express Co.'s office.

15d&wtf THOMAS C. ROYCE.

AUCTION!

The subscribers will sell at public auction, at the stock yards of J. M. Johnson, Genung street, Middletown, on Friday, Dec 17th at 10 o'clock sharp in the forenoon, 24 cows, 20 new milkers and springers; the balance coming in in March and April. This is a choice selected lot of young Wayne county cows. Any one desiring cows should not fail to attend this sale. The property advertised will positively be sold on the date named, Sale positive, rain or shine.

TEGELER BURCHER & CO.
JOSHUA CASE, Jr., Auctioneer. 1td&w

IN Pursuance of an order of Hon. John J. Beattie, County Judge of Orange county, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against James A. Wood, lately doing business in the city of Middletown, State of New York, to present the same, with the vouchers therefor attached, duly verified, to the subscriber, who has been duly appointed assignee of the said James A. Wood for the benefit of creditors, at his office, in the hardware store of Hoyt & Galloway, No. 10 East Main street, in the said city of Middletown, N. Y., on or before the 1st day of March, 1898.

GEO. W. GALLOWAY, Assignee.
T. S. EITTLE, Attorney for Assignee.
dTu7tJan25

24 Cts. a Pound Best Creamery Butter.

SLOAT'S Cash Store.

$5.50

for the following brands of

FLOUR!

in half barrel cotton sacks.

Pride of Middletown, Diamond Medal, Davis Granite, Washburn-Crosby's Superlative.

24½ lb. Sack First Patent Flour for 70 Cents.

25 lbs. Best Buckwheat Flour 40 Cents.

California Hams 6c a pound.
English Walnuts 12c a pound.
Malaga Grapes 12c a pound.
Everything good for holiday trade. Prices low.

C. N. PREDMORE & SON.

Follow the Crowd!

These busy days and come here. This store has proved its advantages as a shopping place for holiday gifts. The various departments began months ago to bring together this vast collection. What you find here, too, is priced on the close margin plan. Be careful that you don't chance to buy an article elsewhere and pay more for it. Twenty cents, fifty cents and one dollar saving are worth looking after—whether the list is a long or short one.

TOYS.

OUR up-to-date collection of the wonders and marvels of toydom includes all the old-time favorites, as well as the novelties of the day.

Juvenile Books, 5 to 48c.
Toy Dishes, 5 to 98c.
Iron Trains, 19c to $2.98.
Mechanical Iron Engines 48c.
Iron Ranges, 39 to 48c.
Iron Banks, 10 to 98c.
Iron Boats, 25 and 48c.
Lead Soldiers, 25 to 98c.
Crandell's Treasure Box, 48c., value $1.
Toy Tool Chests, 25 to 98c.
Toy Bedroom Suits, 5 pieces, 48c.
Harmonicas, 5, 10, 15c.
Rubber Balls, 10, 15, 25c.
Ten Pins, 10, 25, 48, 69c.
Hair Horses, 19c to $1.25.
Noah Arks, 25, 48, 98c.
Toy Laundry Sets, 19, 25, 48c.
Toy Forts, 25, 48, 98c.
Tin Stoves, 10, 15, 25, 48c.
Musical Tops, 5, 10, 15, 25c.
Blocks, all Kinds, 5 to 48c.
Games, all the latest, 5c up.
Toy Accordeons, 25c.
Music Boxes, 48c to $1.48.
Soldier Sets, 25, 48, 98c.

HOLIDAY NOVELTIES

Sterling Silver Paper Cutters 25, 50c.
Sterling Silver Nail Files 25, 50c.
Sterling Silver Cuticle 25, 50c.
Sterling Silver Pen Knife 25c.
Sterling Silver Scissors 75c.
Sterling Silver Stocking Darner 48c.
Sterling Silver Umbrella Fasteners 19c.
Hand Mirrors 10, 15, 19, 48, 98c.
Silver Covered Puff Boxes 48c.
Bohemian Puff Boxes 69, 98c., $1.19.
Hat Brushes 19, 48, 75, 98c.
Dressing Cases 98c., $1.19, $1.48, $1.68
Silver Ink Wells 19, 25, 48c.
Silver Jewel Boxes 15 to 98c.
Postage Stamp and Pen Boxes 19, 25c.
Silver Vaseline Stands 25c.
Candle Sticks, with Candles, 19, 25c.
Oxidized Pocket Combs 19c.
Raphael Tuck's Fine Calendars and Booklets 5c up.
Fine Umbrellas $1.48, $1.98, $2.48.
Picture Frames 19, 25, 39c.
Special Jardeniers 10, 25, 39, 49, 79c.
Fine Holiday Perfumes 25, 39, 49c.
Leather Cigar Holders 38, 48c.
Prepared Palms and Grasses 50c up.
Umbrella Tiles for Halls 98c.
Nickle Nut Picks 10c a set.
Nut Picks and Crackers 25, 39, 49c.
Cigar Stands, all kinds, 25c up.
Decorated Ash Trays 68c.
Fine Box Writing Paper 15, 25, 49c.
Celluloid Cuff and Collar Boxes 98c.
Dresser Sets, with 3 Doylies to match, 89c to $1.68.
Silver Novelty Lamps, with shade, 25c.
Silver Tipped Brush Brooms 19, 25c.
Silver Card Trays 19, 25, 48c.
Special Hair Brushes 25, 39, 48, 68c.
Swiss Wood Ink Wells 39, 69, 98c.
Glass and Metal Weights 19c up.

SEASONABLE GOODS

That will go to hundreds of homes at prices figured down to the lowest notch of economy. A few of the many low prices we are making this month.

480 Ladies' Flannelette Wrappers at 8c., $1.48. The best value ever shown by any store.

108 tailor made Sateen Umbrella Underskirts 98c., $1.25, $1.48, $1.68, $1.98. Couldn't be better made.

600 Yards all wool Black Dress Goods at 35, 44, 59, 89c a yard. Less than the wholesale price.

Novelty Dress Patterns at $4.98, $5.98, $6.98, including all the linings.

25 Styles Silk Waist Patterns in 5-yard lengths of our elegant 98c quality, including all the linings, for $4.98.

75 Pairs Shaker Flannel and Wool Blankets at 49, 75, 98c., $1.98, $2.25, $3.98. The best values ever shown by any firm at the price.

50 Fine Taffeta and Gloria Silk close roll Umbrellas, with the latest swell handles, would make an elegant Christmas present, $1.48, $1.98, $2.50.

Pretty Dressing Sacques in grey, cardinal, pink, light blue and dainty stripes, perfect fitting, at 89, 98c., $1.19, $1.48.

25 Dozen White Aprons, fine for the holidays, 25 and 48c each.

11,000 Handkerchiefs for the holidays. Buy the special numbers we have at 10, 15, 25 and 48c. The best value ever shown by any firm at the price

Odd Lots and broken sizes from our Outing Underwear Sale at less than cost to close.

30 Dozen Ladies' Fast Black Seamless Fleece Lined Hose, double heels, 15c a pair, 2 pair for 25c.

Stamped Linens in all the novel holiday designs—Tray Cloths, Doylies, Scarfs and Center Pieces at the close margin prices that has made this store famous.

TOYS.

Knit Dolls, 5, 10, 15, 25, 39c.
Kid Body Dolls, 10 to 98c.
Dressed Dolls, 10 to 98c.
Dolls Heads, 5c up.
Doll Push Carts, 48c.
Doll Trunks, 39 to 98c.
Doll Cradles, 25 and 48c.
Toy Tables, round or square, 25c.
Targets, new, 5 and 10c.
Marble Arch, 15c.
Punch and Judy, 25c.
Who Hit the Coon, 48c.
Tin Trumpets, 5, 10, 15, 25c.
Wheelbarrows, 25c.
Wood Carts, 10, 25, 48c.
Circle Railways, 48, 98c., $1.48.
Large Box Paints, 10c.
Toy Sad Irons, 5, 10, 15, 25c.
Christmas Tree Candles, 10c a box.
Christmas Tree Ornaments, 15c a doz. up.
Doll Houses, 48 and 98c.
Toy Castors, 10, 15, 25c.
Magic Lanterns, 48, 89c., $1.48.
Electric Fountain, 48c.
Drums, 19c up.
Doll Swings, 15 and 25c.
Mechanical Tin Toys, 19c up.
Toy Guns, 19c.

HART DAVIS, 46 NORTH ST.

X-Mas Presents FREE To the Public

TRADING STAMPS.

They are a cash discount given by enterprising merchants that want your trade. ALWAYS ASK FOR THEM. We have stores in all the leading cities of the country. Our stamps are interchangeable, and will be redeemed at any of our stores. They are good everywhere. We are the originators of the Trading Stamps, and have over $500,000 invested.

ARE HERE TO STAY.

Not for one year, but for many. If you have a grain of common sense you will get your Christmas Presents for nothing. The following have already received their presents absolutely free

Mrs. I. C. Humphrey, Woodlawn avenue, Solid Oak Upholstered Rocker.
Mrs. E. H. Russell, Oriental Hotel, Onyx Table.
Mrs. Brennan, No. 3 Lyon street, Solid Oak Upholstered Rocker.
Mr. L. L. Purdy, Holding House, Three Solid Oak Dining Chairs.
Mr. A. H. Johnson, Accordion.
Mrs. Dugan, 31 Beattie avenue, Three Solid Oak Dining Chairs.
Mrs J. Rodman, Arlington Hotel, Fine Upholstered Rocker.
Mrs. E. Madden, 25 Highland avenue, Fine Upholstered Rocker.
Mrs. B. S. Dayton, 15 Hanford street, Camera.
Charles L Purdy, Banjo.
Mrs B. C. Woodward, 26 Highland avenue, Solid Oak Upholstered Rocker.
Mrs. J. F. Bennett, Bloomingburgh, 1 Onyx Table.
Mrs. Chas. Tyrell, 36 Smith St., ½ doz each of Rogers' Silver Plated Knives and Forks.
Mr. Biddle, 82 East Main street, Mandolin.
Mrs. Flood, 22 Union street, Banquet Lamp.
Mrs. Doremus, 19 Mulberry street, Banquet Lamp.
Mrs. R E. Hulse, 112 Fulton street, Three Dining Chairs.
F. G Colville, 7 East avenue, Camera.

Everybody invited to call and see the Holiday Goods. NO GOODS SOLD.

Middletown Trading Stamp Co., No. 5 North Street.

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WANTED—Ladies to remember that you swore off on having your shoes repaired with nails. It makes them stiff and heavy. CRAIG sews on the soles, which makes your shoes feel flexible. The cost is no more.

CHAS. J. KUDD, Jr., 70 Academy avenue—3,000 designs in Wall Paper. Estimates furnished for painting, decorating and hanging. 71

WILLIAM OTTO RENDER, City Upholster and Awning Maker, with good help, is now ready to take orders for all kinds of work in his line. Over 200 samples of awnings, for private houses and stores, to select from. Residence and factory 15 Knapp Ave., near Wickham. 1yMy19

HOMESTEAD Building and Loan Association Annual meeting Tuesday evening, Dec. 14th. All interested are invited. 17d5t H. J. LEONARD, Secretary.

CLAIRVOYANT—PROF. W. H. SAGENDORF will return to Middletown, Dec. 28th, and remain one week at Wm. S. Roe's, 37 James street. 52d&wtf

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CAMPHOR CREAM for chapped hands, face and lips. Delightful after shaving; is not sticky. 25 cents at CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street, second door from post office.

THERE are many new designs in Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, etc., for the season of '97-'98. Call and examine them at A. M. AMBLER'S, 50 North street, next to Press office. Repairing a specialty at short notice and all work guaranteed. Engraving of all goods purchased free of charge. See other adv.

PHILIP HENRY, Practical House Painter, No. 9 Linden Terrace. Painting walls a specialty. 47dtf

FIRST Floor to let at No. 10 West Main street, suitable for dressmaking, milliner or offices. 15dtf Address Box 65, Goshen.

DR. F. N. FRIEND, Dentist, office corner North and King Sts., Middletown. Entrance on King St. Dental work of all kinds. Gas administered. diySep4'98

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THE Sixth annual meeting of the stockholders and election of officers of the Middletown Co-Operative Co. will be held Tuesday, Dec. 14th, at 56 North street, at 7:30 p. m. sharp. 19d2t CHAS. H. ALLISON, Sec.

FINE Christmas Presents—Old violins $2 and $5, mandolins $1 to $3, banjos $2 to $3, and extra fine zither and case, 52 strings, only $5.50, seldom get such a fine instrument. EXCHANGE AND MART CO., No. 46 East Main street

LOWER Part of house, 69 East avenue; lower part of house, with barn, 30 Canal street; lower part of house, with barn, 203 East Main street, for rent. Enquire of P. CUMMINGS, 100 North street, corner East Ave. and Fulton St.

WANTED on Bond and Mortgage [illegible] per cent., security worth [illegible] city; also $1,500 wanted, 6 per cent. MERRILL & BURKE, Attorneys, [illegible] street.

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